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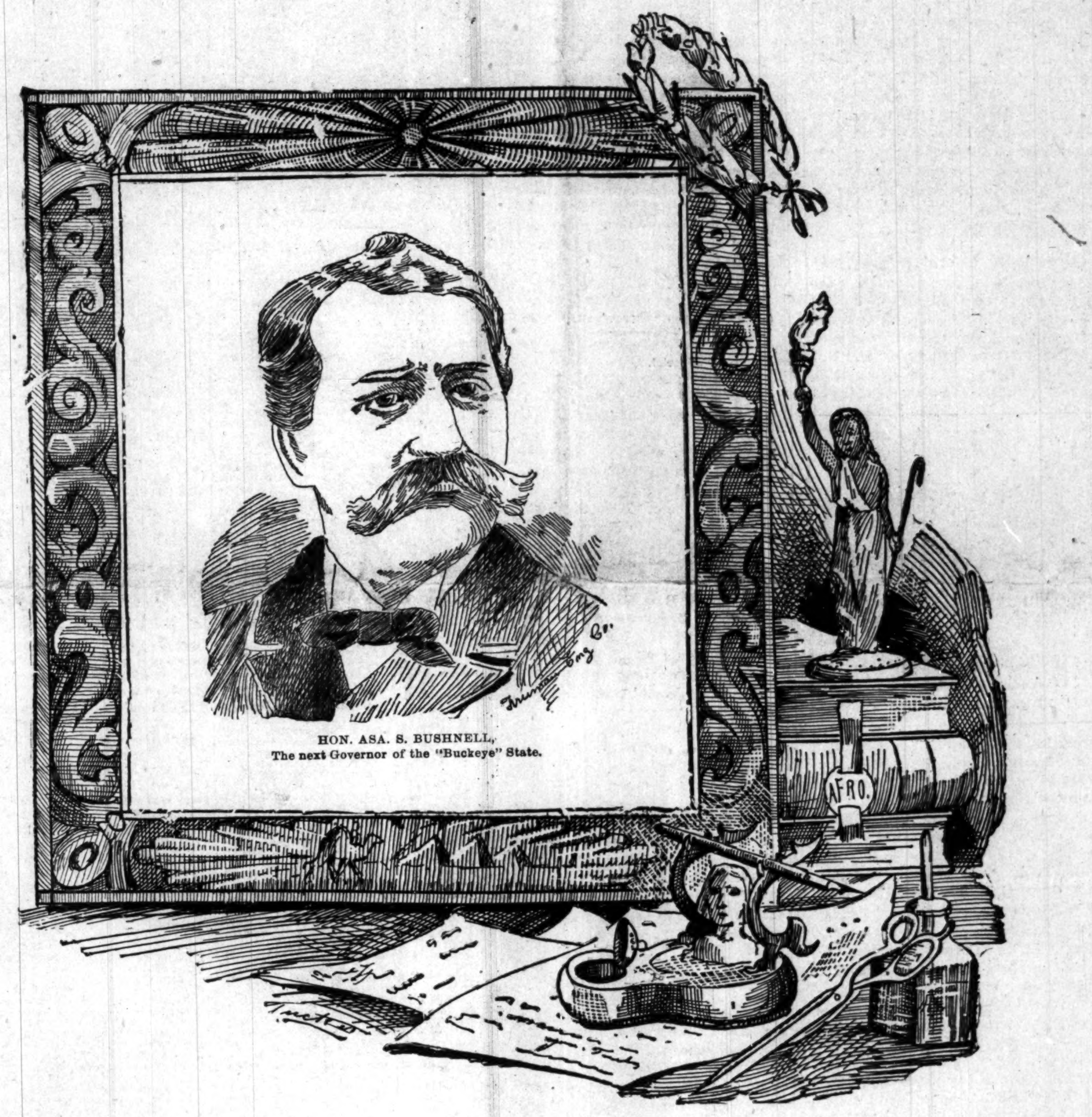


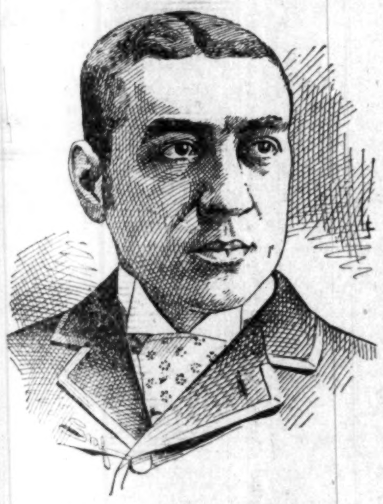
HON. ASA. S. BUSHNELL,
The next Governor of the "Buckeye" State.

HON. GEORGE A. MYERS,

A MEMBER OF THE OHIO STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

What the "White" Press has to say About Him—He Has the "Best Wishes" of Editor Smith, of the Cleveland Gazette.

No doubt the many readers of The Freeman will be delighted when they behold within this issue the portrait of one that maketh not ashamed, but who, in the face of opposition and at the very time when our race is looked upon as the obnoxious part of creation, has been appointed a member of the Republican State Executive Committee—Mr. George A. Myers, of Cleveland, O. The Cleveland Leader says of him: "George A. Myers, the newly appointed Cleveland member of the Ohio State Executive Committee, is one of the best-known colored politicians in the State. Both Governor Bushnell and Senator Hanna wished to have him on the executive committee. Mr. Myers is proprietor of the Hollenden barber shop. He has several times been honored by the Republican party. He was elected an alternate to the Minneapolis National Convention and served as a delegate. He was a delegate-at-large to the Zanesville State Convention, and was one of the assistant secretaries of the Toledo convention. He was an efficient worker at the St. Louis convention. He is the president of the Western Reserve Club, of this city. Mr. Myers is a wide-awake, hustling politician, with many friends, and, of course, a few enemies. He says a politician who hasn't some enemies must be mixed up in politics on Mars or some planet other than the earth."



HON. GEORGE A. MYERS.

It seems that the above is sufficient to forever bind us as loyal citizens to him as a race leader; to "bury the hatchet along-side of the cow," and bow in honor to him who has so fearlessly stepped upon a higher round of the ladder of fame, not for self-aggrandizement, but for the good that he can do his fellow-men. Mr. Myers, the propelling power of Ohio politics, is not a native Buckeye, however, but has been in Ohio long enough to get a firm hold on the hearts of our people to insure him success in anything which he may undertake.

He hails from Maryland, and possesses that largeness of heart and congeniality of spirit so characteristic of his father, who, though dead, lives in the hearts of those with whom he came in contact. Surely the sterling qualities of the father are embodied in the son. The above clipping from the Cleveland Leader, the largest circulated paper in Cleveland, speaks of many friends and few enemies. One of the most Prominent enemies of Mr. Myers is Hon. H. C. Smith, editor of the Cleveland Gazette (an interesting race paper.) He has not always been thus, for in "ye olden time" none seemed to be more companionable than "Harry" and "George," familiarly speaking. In the issue of Mr. Smith's paper dated June 1, 1895, he published Mr. Myers' portrait and said many good things about him which were too solid for flattery and too true to ever be eradicated from the memory of editor and readers. We would like to give every word of his article, but fear of wearying the many readers of this article will not permit us to do so. In part he says (writing just after the State convention in Zanesville): "The above is a good portrait of Cuyahoga county's Afro-American delegate-at-large to the past week's Zanesville State Convention, which nominated Gen. Asa Bushnell for Governor. Mr. Myers voted with the delegation for Cuyahoga's candidate, Mr. James H. Hoyt, from the first to the last ballot, inclusive, and, to say the least, it was an exciting convention, marked in many respects. This county had but two delegates-at-large, the other being Col. Pickands (white), one of the wealthiest citizens, the special choice of Mr. Hoyt. It was quite an honor, therefore, which the Afro-American delegates (five) in last Saturday's county convention secured for our people. This was only accomplished, however, after a sturdy fight, which the editor of the Gazette led with such signal success." Then Mr. Smith goes on at length speaking of Mr. Myers' success in his business as a barber and as proprietor of the Hollenden House barber shop, which, perhaps, is the finest in the city. He (Mr. Smith) attributes Mr. Myers' success to the assistance "of a few wealthy white friends and his own indomitable will." As to his place in politics at that time, Mr. Smith says of him: "In politics he has always stood ready to assist, never asking a place except as a delegate to some convention or something akin, purely honorary in its nature. He has done much that has resulted in material benefit to members of the race, residents of this city. He was an alternate to the last National Republican Convention, which met in Minneapolis, Minn., and finally secured a delegate's seat in that body, owing to the enforced absence of the gentleman whose alternate he was. 'George' is of a quiet yet genial disposition. In a quiet way he has done much to assist St. John's Church and its pastors, as well as other organizations among our people. He has a promising future. He has our best wishes."

Perhaps Mr. Myers' "promising future" materialized too rapidly, or perhaps the "best wishes" of the editor of the Gazette took effect too soon, for since that time things have changed. Seemingly, the green-eyed monster has crept in, and the Gazette's proprietor seems no longer to be the friend of the political leader of Ohio. In fact, "things have all gone wrong at home, and Betsey and I are out." We feel that the wrong is resting on one side, however, for how could one with so "genial a disposition" as Mr. Myers, without provocation, wrong one who so recently, unsolicited, extended best wishes? We are constrained to believe that shortly the editor will return to his first love and again give Mr. Myers his "best wishes."

The Columbus Dispatch of July 31, '97, publishes quite a lengthy article concerning Mr. Myers and the colored people. The article is the outcome of an interview between the Dispatch and a prominent colored man of Columbus. Among the many things contained in the article may be found such terse sayings as these: "Colored people of this city who have seen the interview of Mr. H. C. Smith, of Cleveland, in which he condemns the appointment of Mr. George A. Myers as a member of the Republican State committee, regard Mr. Smith's utterances as a case of sour grapes. Said a prominent colored man to-day: 'In Cleveland Mr. Myers is esteemed very highly by his race, socially, politically and fraternally, and all through the state; in fact he has the esteem of the leading Negroes throughout the country. It is true, Mr. Myers is proprietor of the Hollenden hotel barber shop, perhaps the largest and finest shop in the state, and it is further true that his trade is exclusively white. This is no fault of Mr. Myers', as the patrons of the hotel are white However, Mr. Myers has never discriminated against his people, and because none are patrons of his shop does not prove that Mr. Myers does discriminate against them. Hon. John P. Green, of Cleveland, recently, in talking of Mr. Myers, said that he had figured that Mr. Myers was furnishing support to at least fifty members of his race by giving employment to eighteen colored men in his shop, and in so doing was of more practical benefit to his race than any other colored man in Cleveland. It is said that Mr. Myers has effectually stood between Mr. Smith and his (Smith's) selfish ambitions, and by relegating Mr. Smith to the rear has gained the ill will of the quondam Afro-American editor. In Cleveland, it is said, that Mr. Myers has accomplished more for his race, politically, than any other man; that because of his manliness and integrity he has secured the warmest indorsement of the whites, who regard him highly and respect him for his worth as a man. The fact that such leading men as Bishop Arnett, Jerre A. Brown, Rev. Mr Anderson, William Copeland, George A. Jackson, John P. Green, Charles W. Fillmore, William Clifford, Charles A. Cottrell, Wilbur King, Z. R. Jackson and numerous others, who are regarded as the leading men of their race in Ohio, are warm supporters of Mr. Myers, effectually disproves the charge that he is not popular with his people and has no social standing among them. It is the consensus of opinion among colored men that Myers is the right man in the right place, Mr. Smith to the contrary notwithstanding.'"

The above sayings are quite sufficient to prove that Mr Myers is truly the man of the hour, and if the political field of Ohio had have undergone the scrutiny of a hundred candle power search light to have found an Afro-American to place on the State Executive board, none better than the subject of our sketch could have been found. We love him, we honor him, we trust him and we will not hesitate to follow where he leads. We know full well that the interest of the colored people of Ohio is in safe keeping when placed in the hands of this daring and chivalric champion for justice and right. "With love and charity for all," yours for the cause,

HAMLET.

Ex-Slave Convention at Union City.

Union City, Tenn, Special.

The ex-slave convention convened here on Saturday last. Miss Lizzie Ewing left for Columbus, Ky., last Sunday to take charge of her school. Rev. Webb, of Jackson, preached an excellent sermon at the First Baptist Church August 8. James Ed. Larry and Miss Cora Chambers are to be married at the First Baptist Church August 18 at 8:30 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Bell lost their 11-months-old son by death July 20th. Mr. Montgomery is on the sick list. Rev. B. F. Stone and wife are visiting friends and relatives in Middle Tennessee. Elmore Matterfield, who has been quite ill, is recovering. Your agent is doing all he can here to secure subscribers for The Freeman. Everybody should read it. Prof. Daily will soon return to his school. Miss Elgarver Branom, who has been very sick, is better. S. P. Bell, the Grand Patriarch of the Order of Isel, says The Freeman must be in their library.

Serious Shooting Affair.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

Rev. C. S. Smith, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city last week looking after some real estate. While in the city he was the guest of his father-in-law, Alvin Shoecraft. He left Friday for Detroit. Mrs. Kelly left Sunday to visit friends, in Indianapolis. Miss Leora Winslow has returned from a visit to friends in Cambridge City. Master Kemper Harrold is visiting his aunt at Noblesville. Will Guthrie returned Saturday from a trip to Niagara Falls. He reports a delightful time. At a gambling den operated by Tom Cotman and Cicero Nelson a shooting affray occurred, in which a man by the name of William Bass was shot in the back. It is not known how the injury will result, as the bullet has not been found. It is thought to have lodged near the spine. Bass is in a serious condition. Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher left Saturday for Connersville to attend the M. E. Conference. George Strong returned from the Sunday-school Convention last week. Rev. Green, of the Second Baptist Church, preached at Richmond. Ind., Sunday, August 8. The Slaton Jubilee Singers are filling a four-days' engagement at West Side Park.

Odd Fellows' Convention.

Hamilton, O., Special.

The following were the guests of Mrs. Carle during the Odd Fellows' Convention in Hamilton: Mesdames Goldie Lavalle, Morris Vepanie, William Nelson; Messrs. Gus. Lavelle, Patriarch; Campbell Clark. Guests of Mrs Tate: Mr. and Mrs. Ransom, of Columbus; Charles Triplet, of Cincinnati; Mr. Hayes, of Cincinnati; Miss Ida Watkins, Mr. Mayo, of Columbus; Mr. Wright, of Wheeling, W Va.; Mr. Chocolate, of Rendville, O. Mrs. Alexander's niece is visiting her.

LONG LIVE THE QUEEN!

SHOUTED THIRTY ODD MILLION OF HAPPY BRITAINS.

A Fitting Scene in Old England—Through the Columns of The Freeman our English Correspondent Views the American Situation.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

What a wonderful historic year the world is passing through! Full in some parts, of famine, plague, pestilence and earthquakes; floods and concussions in other parts; cold and heat here; love and hatred, rejoicing and sorrowing everywhere. It rained here, in England, nearly all the spring months, and many thought that the first day of summer would be chilled by a cold down pour. But the winds shifted southward about the 20th of June, and the atmosphere grew milder, the clouds raised themselves and the rain ceased falling; the heavens though, remained covered, and the sun fought hard the whole of the 21st, to break through the clouds, but they held the fort. In the evening of the same day, the winds of the South doubled their strength, and while all England slumbered in suspense, the clouds were pushed away northward, and next morning, the 22nd. of June, the earth's father, the sun, arose in all his beauty and embraced his chilled daughter with glowing rays of heat. "Hip! Hip! Hurrah!! Long live our Queen!" thrice shouted thirty odd million of happy Britains. Then the church bells of all denominations (mingled with the bass drum of the Salvation Army) began to peal forth their different tones; these caused the Britains to remember that they are supposed to be Christians, and as they thought on Him at whose birth the Angels sang "Peace on earth, good will to man," the cannons began to thunder forth their murderous growl, which made the Britains forget the song of the Angels, for their thoughts (Britains) flew to Trafalgar, Waterloo, Alexandria and his non-success against the Boers in the Transvaal, South Africa. One Englishman said to the writer: "Is it not a shame that Jameson did not succeed in his raid on the Transvaal?" And before the writer could reply, he said: "Never mind, we'll have it yet." Then waxing warm and speaking as if he were half addressing himself and half addressing the man who stood before him, said: "How dare old Kruger send us in a bill, of conscience money—one million pounds conscience money? Why d— it all! we have no conscience." Then looking at the man before him as if he expected him to say something, that humble person thinking that many hard truths are said in jest, ironically replied that he hoped for conscience sake," the Boers would send no more such bills to the English.

The morning of June 22nd. passed rapidly away, but very early the streets of London were filled with millions of jubilators, while into every town of the Shires, pourest thousands who were bent on jubilating. Grand processions, athletic sports, dinners and teas, were the principal thing on the programmes of every town. In the large cities and towns, charity came forward and fed the poor. But while the people were in the height of enjoyment and contentment, their representatives in the House of Commons were passing a most disagreeable day. Why? (Some one had blundered, and there are many who think on purpose) When the invitations were sent to the Representatives of the British Government to meet the Queen in the Throne Room on the morning of the 22nd. of June, the Lords and Dukes were asked to bring their wives with them, but no such invitation was sent to the "Commoners;" and since the House of Lords preceeds the House of Commons on all occasions, those gentlemen, who alone, would fill half of the Throne Room (which only contains standing room for the Representatives of the Government) marched, with their wives, into the Throne Room, and when the House of Commons, which slowly followed the House of Lords, arrived at the said room, behold it was full, and the gentlemen who compose that legislative body were obliged to leave without seeing the "show." That affair was very soon made known to the Queen, who, to pacify the "commoners," ordered them to appear with their wives before her at Windsor Castle on June 26. I would have rejoiced greatly with this nation over its "Record Reign" had this nation given in 1838 to those it bound in chains in Jamaica a portion of the twenty million pounds which it presented as a recompensation to the English slave-owners of that island when the government here decided to free the slaves. But it seems that there were some East Indians less inclined to jubilate than the writer. They felt like "taking up arms against a sea of troubles, and, by opposing, end them." It is a shame that that nation, numbering 200,000,000 souls, should, because of its castes (disunion), allow itself to be robbed of its industry, commerce and self-government by a handful of people, so to speak, who live six or seven thousand miles away from them.

From the columns of the Freeman I am glad to see that while the people here are making glad over an unbroken reign of sixty years, the inhabitants of Tennessee are rejoicing over the centennial of their State, handiwork, science and education, and sadly oppressed charity seems to have struggled an inch upwards in that grand old State. It is to be hoped that the inch gained by charity may grow so rapidly that lynch law and "Jim Crow cars" may have ceased within a year's time to disgrace

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BROCK'S LITERARY LEAVES.

SOME PROSE AND VERSE FROM THE PEN OF NEGRO WRITERS.

Notes from Magazines and Newspapers—Aspirations of Afro-American Maidens—A Few Inkings and Thinkings.

> "No more can he whose mind
> Joys in the muses, hold from that delight,
> When nature and his full thoughts bid him
> write." —[Beaumont.

It is seldom that one runs across in the periodical press an article that has for its theme the Negro; and yet when we do have the pleasure of meeting one of these "fugitive" pieces of an elevating character how it does refresh us, and, too, lifts us as it seems into higher accord with ourselves and with the race in general.

Had it been predicted a little better than five years ago that science would have advanced to such a degree that the jingle, jingle of the horse cars along our thoroughfares would have been succeeded by cars propelled by electrical motor, it would have been looked upon as being incredulous. Had it less than seven years ago been predicted that on a spot of ground 25x100 feet could or would be reared a structure of twenty-five ories, the prediction would have gone in at one ear and out through the other, taken only as so many grains of salt. And still to-day the predictment of science has been fulfilled; for not only are our surface cars run by electricity, but so far has science advanced that they are lighted, heated and switched by the one appliance. Not only have our buildings risen from insignificant six-story structures to majestic buildings of twenty-five stories, but every architect and builder is striving to outdo the other, until to-day it is no unusual sight to strain our eyes to reach the pinnacle of a thirty-story building. I had the pleasure the other day of looking at the plans of a proposed structure to be reared on Broadway—the Palace of Commerce, which, when completed, will be thirty-six stories high. In conversation with an old German a few days ago, whom I look upon as being somewhat of a philosopher; he said to me, in speaking of the advance science had made in the last ten years, that he was sorry he had been born so quick; that he only wished his time would have come two hundred years hence. "Man," said he, "just think what we will be missing; for if science has produced such wonderful results in ten years, what will it not do in the next two hundred?" And I soliloquised to myself, yes, in the next five years.

And all this by way of a preface to the following:

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In the July Godey's Magazine appears an article on the "Colored Women of To-day," written by that princess of writers—a woman of culture and the most progressive ideas, etc., Mrs. Fannie Barrier Williams. If Mrs. Williams has not given us a lengthy or brilliant article she certainly has, on the other hand, presented us with a brilliant and charming bevy of colored women that would be a lovely adjunct to any art galery of social beauties. But not only did I find it a delightful article, but a most timely one as well; and, too, it is written as only as highly cultivated a woman as Mrs. Williams can write of a subject with which she is wholly familiar. But while I have really enjoyed the perusal of "these notable types of the present generation of the colored women in America," I have finished and laid it aside with a vague realization that there is; something lacking; something—well, perhaps it is because it was all too short, and because there are a hundred and one types that might have been mentioned for their superior qualities to good effect—ebony hue as well as cream complexion.

Like the march of science, Mrs. Williams' article also serves to show that the colored women of to-day are making an earnest effort along the higher planes of civilization, and that all they hope for and ask is a fair field and no favors. All lovers of the race's advancement should certainly get Godey's for July and read Mrs. Williams' article.

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In this same issue the editor pays a deserved tribute to Mrs. F. Williams' superior qualities, and closes as follows: "The open field is now before the colored man in America. In it he may succeed or fail on equal terms with his fellow-man. He still needs help, and will continue to receive it. But the time is come, as the more intelligent of its representatives realize, when, after all has been said and done, the ultimate success of the colored race must depend mainly upon itself. The colored people cannot be elevated wholly by the acts of others. Like the rest of the world, they are men and women, and. like other men and women, it must be a self-elevation that shall finally raise them to the higher planes of civilization."

While I cannot do else but applaud the editor of Godey's in his lauditory criticism of Mrs. Williams, I certainly think him short-sighted in his deductions as to the open field that is now before the colored man in America. The field is open, certainly, and wide open; but in roaming it is he on equal terms with his Caucasian fellow-man? It is true he has the same chances for an education, but after education, what then? Can the editor of Godey's admit honestly that then the field is open and fair? Suppose the colored man does reach the higher planes of civilization? That they, "like the rest of the world, being men and women, and, like all other men and women," seek to educate themselves along all the commercial branches, i. e., to be book-keepers, cashiers, clerks, stenographers, telegraphers, can he admit truthfully that he is here on "equal terms with his fellow-man?" The few, and very few types at that, which Mrs. Williams has brought before the public eye, and from which the editor of Godey's has found his food for thought, have gained their present position, not so much from their intellectual abilities as from some unknown help of which the reader is left in doubt. The case of Miss Josephine Bartlett, of Chicago, who is employed as stenographer in one of the largest business houses of that city, forms but one of the remarkable instances of that kind which we find today with all the intelligence and ability of the colored man, so few and far between. Miss Ida Platt, also of Chicago, and a recent graduate of a school of law, would, I am sure, find it a useless task to seek to become the attorney for any one of the large business houses of her city. It is true that school-teaching has proved, as Mrs. Williams says, "the best field for young colored women" (and men, too), but here also, when it comes to seeking positions in the white schools they are handicapped by the same fatality—Caucasian prejudice—a thing that lurks in the breast and the very office of the editor in which the quoted lines were penned. The Negro onasks an open field, but he asks also that it must be an honest, fair one, wherein he will in truth be on equal terms with his fellow-man, "where they will be loked upon only as men and women, and like other men and women." Having the capabilities please permit the possibilities to present themselves.

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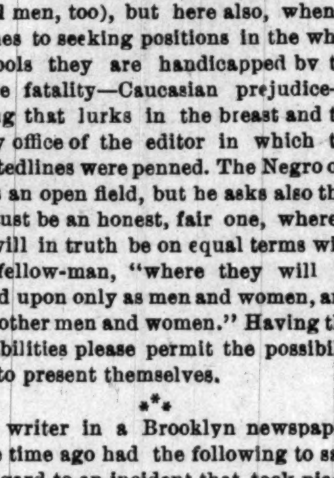
A writer in a Brooklyn newspaper some time ago had the following to say in regard to an incident that took place in a street cas in which he was a passenger. It was of a colored girl reading a novel which bore the inscription, "Not Like Other Girls," and the writer went on to say that the scene started an interesting train of reflection in his mind and the thought suggested the query: What do colored people read? The public schools of Brooklyn and New York are turning out a great many colored girls yearly with at least a good rudimentary education, and a few each year with something more. It is inevitable that those girls should read novels. Girls are built that way. Being girls it is inevitable that they should sympathize or desire to sympathize with the heroine of those novels, even to be like, dress like and act like those heroines so far as their circumstances will permit. What has an imaginative colored girl to transform herself into the heroine of the average novel, who wears diaphanous robes of "palest heavenly blue," whose "golden tresses float over shoulders of snowy whiteness" and things like that? The modern stories which have women with colored blood in their veins, like Paul Bourget's "Cosmopolis," Cable's "Creole Stories" and Howells' "An Imperative Duty," are not of a sort to convey comfort or satisfaction to colored readers. To find a really charming young colored character one must go back to Mrs. Stowe's "Dred," or "Nina Gordon," as the publishers have renamed it. Lizette in that story is one of the most fascinating little creatures in fiction, and the color of her skin had nothing to do with it, but the tragedy of her race in the slave days swallowed her too, and she has nothing to do with modern free and intelligent Negro girls in cities anyhow. In opera there are two colored heroines, Zuleika in "L'Africaine" and the beautiful Aida, but we don't have opera very often and colored girls don't go to the Metropolitan opera house more than twice a week anyhow, so they are not likely to get much consolation from this source. The writer submits that the novelists have failed in their duty toward a considerable part of the community, and, what is more to the point, have neglected a field which, skillfully worked, might be made extremely profitable. Where is the novelest of the romantic school who will give us an interesting story of the life of the Negro of to-day and call around him or her a large and loyal following? The realists are not wanted, as their work requires a more seasoned, experienced and intellectual audience than can be found among young girls of any color whatever. In the natural course of race evolution the colored novelist is yet some years ahead, lawyers and statesmen usually preceding novelists in the order of development. Until she comes the field is open for the people who have already learned the trade of telling stories. At present colored girls, in their reading, substitute a brown for a peachy skin and kinky hair for golden aureoles as they read. Who shall say that there is not a fortune waiting for the original spirit who removes the necessity for such a miserable makeshift? The novelist who selects this field for a story need not by any means sacrifice the advantages of picturesqueness. If he dressed his heroines artistically in rich tints, as a painter would do, he could allow his taste for color to run out and could produce novel and striking effects without end. And when one remembers the pathos and beauty of that poor Indian girl, Ramona, why should there not be an opportunity among the colored people of to-day for a book that should immortalize its author as well as put ducats in his purse?


EDWARD ELMORE BROCK.

And it is partly because of the above that I have penned the following, for had the writer run across "Iola Leroy," by Mrs. Frances E. W. Harper, of Philadelphia, "The Hazeley Family" and "Clarence and Corinne," by Mrs. A. F. Johnson, of Baltimore, Md., and "Appointed," by Sanda, of Detroit, Mich., he would have found that while the Negro cannot boast a Dickens or a Shakespeare, still with the material at hand there is evidence enough to show that he is, to a very large degree, capable of the mental grasp and development of the Anglo-Saxon, and that if given a free field his efforts will probably in time be productive of some wonderful results. In his literary pilgrimage he would have aslo found that in nearly every case these pen-wielders live in homes not extensive or elegant, yet they show a cosiness that is delightfully atttactive. The furnishings are dainty and show in every degree exquisite taste. The walls are hung with beautiful pictures and artistic draperies hang from nooks and doorways, while book-shelves are filled with volumes and volumes of famous authors, with a warmth pervading the whole that makes one loath to depart.

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Social Happenings.

Henderson, Ky., Special.

A party of young people chaperoned by Mesdames Irene Jackson, Mary Alves, Mattie Parker and Lizzie Johnson went to the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Rayne, where an enjoyable dance was given on Thursday night. Miss Amelia Gilchrist is visiting relatives in Owensboro. Miss Sarah B. Watson has returned to Evansville after a two weeks' visit with relatives. Miss Ida Jordan entertained July 28 in honor of Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Allsey Easten and Mrs. Rosa Green were recently called to Evansville to attend the burial of their uncle. Miss Ella Cabell is visiting in Evansville. Mrs. Sarah Cabell and daughter Nanneye are visiting in Indianapolis. Albert Cooper, of Evansville, is in the city visiting J. W. Jenkins. James Bradshaw, of Owensboro, was in the city Sunday. Mrs. Ella Williams entertained a few of the young people at her home, 237 Water street. The State Minister and Deacon's Association convened in this city recently. Quite a number of divines were present. Miss Sallie Bunch is home from Louisville. Douglas Rowen, of Evansville, spent Sunday in the city. Moonlight picnics have been numerous the past week, four having been held.

News From the Lodge.

Dyersburg, Tenn. Special.

The U. B. F. and S. M. T. and Juveniles of this place attended their annual sermon August 1 at 2:30 o'clock. N. M. Alston, marshal of the day on this occasion, formed the Juveniles in front, then Golden Order Temple second, Golden Cross Temple third, York Lodge fourth. The procession moved promptly at 2:30 o'clock, arrived at the A. M. E. Church and opened rank and entered the church in reverse order. After W. M. James Donnell had seated them Rev. H. Barnett, who was master of ceremonies on this occasion, introduced the Rev. J. R. Inman, of Lebanon, Tenn., who preached a very interesting and instructive sermon, after which the Order returned to their hall, where the sisters had prepared a sumptuous banquet for them and their guest. Bro. Nevils. pastor of the A. M. E. Church, Bro. Greer, pastor of the C.M. E. Church, Dr. A. A. Greenlee and H. K. Rines gave addresses. There was an elaborate turn-out.

Camp Meeting in Progress.

South Bend, Ind., Special.

The camp meeting at the fair ground, under the auspices of the A. M. E. Church of this city, is in progress at this writing, and will continue over Sunday August 8. Miss Helen Lee, Miss Cora Coker and Miss Lily Walker were elected delegates to the Chain Lake Baptist Association, which will convene at Adrian August 18. Mrs. Charles Brown has returned from Diamond Lake, where she has been spending a visit of three weeks. Mrs. Rev G. D. Smith and the clubs are doing great work for the church. August 11th the two Sabbath-schools will picnic at Studebaker Park. August 17th the young ladies and gentlemen will give one of the finest concerts in the history of Mount Zion Baptist Church. If you want to read a good paper call for the Freeman, Master Verley Smith, agent. Preaching and Sunday-school were well attended. No. 2 is the banner. Rev. George D. Smith preached a very fine sermon Sunday evening.

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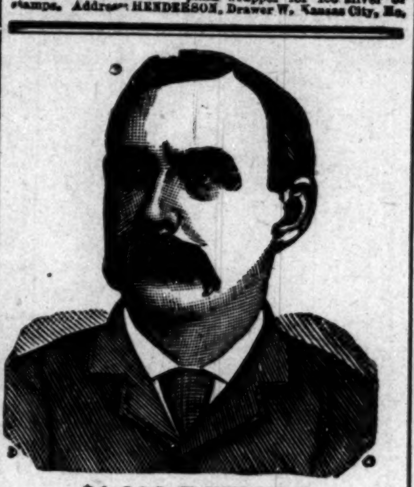

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
2937 Atlantic Ave.

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now. came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do.
Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
121-23rd Street.

A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Gay street. No one seemed to under stand her case. She had several doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good. It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. Hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself, I found him a sympathetic gentleman. He gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. He told at one what was the matter and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truely and and heartily recommend Dr. Shea, to all those in sickness or distress of any kind, Rev. William Johnson, pastor Lebanon church, Brooklyn.

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Stray Summer Pages from my Diary of 1897—Reflections.

June 5.—I have just concluded to revisit Norfolk, Norfolk county, Kempsville and Princess Anne county, all in the state of Virginia. The birth places of my forefathers and foremothers on both sides of the house, and the home (Kempsville) of my early manhood, where I polled my maiden vote. I intended to take my son, Willis A., who is named after his grandfather, Willis Augustus, who was better known in and around Norfolk and Kempsville as "Brother Hodges" among the old heads, who was "Squire Hodges" to the young folks and the young folks and the white carpet-bag Republicans; "Old Hodges" styled by the ex-rebels, and known to everybody in the state, friend and foe, black and white, as "Old Specs."

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June 15.—Don't know so much about going down to Virginia. I have counted the cost of going and it amounts to more than I expected. The cost stands in the pathway as high as the St. Paul building on Broadway, New York City. Then there are other barriers in the road. I may go, but the outlook to-day is no look at all, for all is dark and I can't see my way to go. My boy, however, continues to prepare to go. He has saved up $12.63 and as a friend of ours (a young lady) intends to visit her folks in August, he wants me to let him go along with her, as he wants to see his grandfather's grave and plant a rose bush he intends to carry with him, on his grandsire's grave. He distinctly remembers poor "Grand Pop." If I do not go (I can't go) I'll let him go with Miss Eva Owens, as I know she will take good care of him (Eva was a pupil of mine —a very little tot—some twenty years ago.)

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June 30.—I see my way clear. I have to day decided "live or"—well if I die I can't go—live, starve in the future or meet the wolf in the hall of my flat here at 172 Sumpter street next winter, to visit Virginia; to "do" Norfolk, Great Bridge, Pungo, Mt. Pleasant (a low land swamp) Kempsville and Gum Swamp. It has been fifteen long years since I have visited these "balls of my fathers." I have booked myself and son to start via. an "Old Dominion" steamer, first class cabin, Aug. 16. Miss Owens will go on that date. Just sold a poem—Title Clear—to a young white poet (?) for $10. I think he is stuck; however, business is business, would-be poets are would-be poets and —C. O. D. is C. O. D. 'I have the 10 spot in my pocket. Just my cartage to Norfolk; yes, more than my fare if I go. Will I go? Well say! Things are coming my way. Went to see Ed. Brock; we debated literary subjects of the day, both wet and dry, until the "wee sma' hours." Ed.'s out of sight —so is the $10. Tom Livingston, Esq., borrowed from me three weeks ago "until to-morrow night, old boy." As I bought Livingston cheap, I think I'll trade him off for a "yaller cur" and shoot the dog. Didn't get this week's copies of The Freeman; think some of our honest Negro letter carriers stole them. Why in the devil don't they subscribe?

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July 1.—Hot! hotter!! — — —!!! Well say! If it keeps on like this I'll not go down South in August, 'twill be too hot. To-day has been like the historic Henry Ward Beecher's Sunday morn. Bought a light summer suit at "a bargain sale" for $$6. Don't know as I will wear it, as I am still in mourning, Lost 25 cents; it fell out of my hand in the river while crossing the Brooklyn bridge on a train; will never again stand outside. I needed that quarter the very worse kind.

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July 5.—(Glorious Fourth by proxy). Have just read an article in The Freeman of July 3 entitled: "The Progress of the Race," from the pen of Spencer B. Gibson. It gives me "that tired feeling." This culling out here and there of a few Negro freaks by some obscure admirer, who sets himself up as a judge of small matters, a historian, critic and know-it-all, is getting to be just a little too monstrous. Fortune or good luck has made all of Gibson's great Negro politicians in general, and one "honorable" (?) one in particular, to say the least about the article, which, as a whole, makes me feel tired this hot July day. Contemplate calling to see one truly great member of the race this evening, whose name "historian" Gibson fails to record in his article.

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July 6.—To-day one year ago, Annie Hodges, my faithful, true and devoted wife, departed this life. She is not dead:

"There is no death! What seems so is transition;
This life of mortal breath
Is but a substitute of the life elysian,
Whose portals we call death."

She was not only a wife, she was a helpmate; moreover, she was a friend and most of all, she was a companion—a literary companion—she was the critic and proof reader of all my copy, before it was sent to press, and many an article was corrected or changed at her suggestion. She was also a good house-wife and a devoted mother. Will I ever see her likes again?

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These "Stray Summer Pages from my Diary of 1897," will be continued in the Bluster column during the summer. They are actual pages from my diary. They are culled by my son, who, although only 13 years old, is training under his father to be a literary writer of far more success, financially, than his sire. I told him to mark from June 1 up to June 9 with a blue pencil each page that he concluded was not private, or that I did not mind the readers of The Freeman. I did not care which ones he marked as I hardly ever dip my pen in strictly private ink.

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I have just received a letter. It is penned with a disguised hand, a semi-back hand, school girl style. The post mark is blurred, it looks like "Teskin, S. C." I suspect "Mary Agness" as being the author. Here is the letter in full; it has neither head or tail, i. e., no place or date, no name is subscribed:

"B. Squrre:—I have just read your troubles, bad luck and misfortunes when you went out to ride your hired wheel. While I feel sorry (?) for you, I must say, 'Now will you be good?' I am, however, surprised at your unfinished account of the incident. Up to the date of reading the same you were my idol. I had long since concluded that you were a Chesterfield; a Beau Brummel What became of poor Miss Blank? You fail to record what became of her. Surely you did not leave her to ride home alone and be subject to the insults I conclude a beautiful female without a manly man (?) to protect her, would receive from Tom, Dick and Harry?

"'Twas ever thus, from childhood's day,
The flower I loved would first decay.

"What became of poor Miss Blank, Mr. B Square?"

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"What became of poor Miss Blank?" I intended to tell our readers, but mailed that issue of Bluster before I had finished it. Well Miss Fresh Smartie, I'll tell you now. The first (?) thing I did when I reached Brooklyn was to rush down to Miss Blank's house to see what became of her. I found her swinging in a hammock on the piazza, looking as happy as the knowing ones say a clam looks at high tide. I think, I may be wrong, I overheard her say, "Here he comes now." Anyhow, the smile upon her pretty face changed into a very serious look as I approached the door.

"Oh—Mr.—Hodges! were you hurt?"

"Was—I—hurt?"

"Yes Sir; why don't you know I did not know a thing about your fall until a young girl overtook me and said: 'Miss your escort—your gentleman friend has fallen off his wheel and almost killed himself. Do ride back, as the first question he asked was if you were safe and—'"

"That woman told a down right falsehood; I did not—that is to say—hurt myself badly. I did, however, think about you, Miss Blank."

"As I could not find you I rode back home Mr. Hodges, and have been on the anxious seat ever since."

She did not look it, but dare I doubt her word? I dare not (?) Let me say in conclusion, I am going to learn how to ride a wheel if I knock my head off. Yes, I'll be an expert rider if I loose my head and all my teeth.

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N. B Parties writing postal cards about the I. S. D. C. are respectfully requested to read our "ad." in The Freeman. Unless stamp is enclosed in letter, (you can't "enclose" stamp in card) no notice of your communication will be taken; we mean business, and business is business. "73 Torbet street, Indianapolis, Ind.," pleasd take the hint.

B. Square.

Brookshire Notes.

Brookshire, Tex., Special.

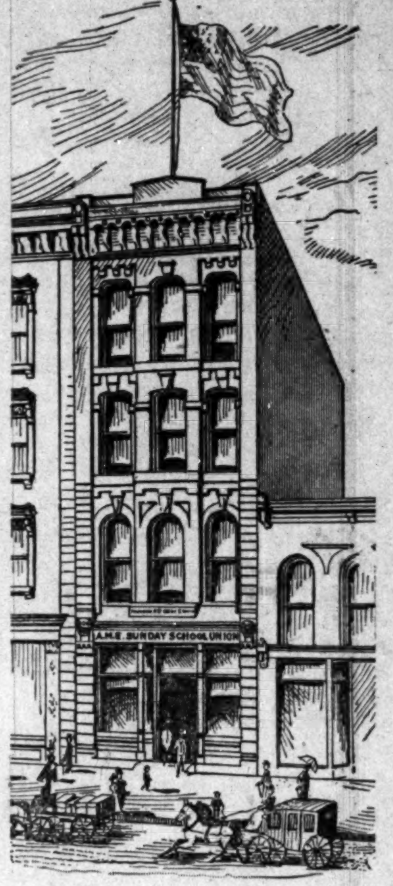
The county has been very much excited over the alleged attempt of Peter Coleman to outrage a sixteen year old white girl. Coleman was located on a farm near Hempstead and two colored men, Allen Freeman and Henry McKinney in company with constable Tucker Pinckney went out and made the arrest, took coleman to Hackley where they took a train and Coleman was safely landed behind the bars in the Houston jail. Prof. and Mrs. Drake made a trip through the country where they spent about two weeks the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. L. Rhone. Prof. Drake has been elected to a position in the Hempstead city schools. On account of failing health, Prof. J. H. L. Rhone has resigned his position as principal of the Mt. Olive school. Through the untiring efforts of Prof. Rhone the Mt. Olive people built a neat and comfortable school house. More valuable land is owned by colored people in the Beats than in any other portion of the county. We hope to introduce to the Freeman readers some of the most prominent and progressive men in the near future. Rev. Albert Brandybug has been carrying on a protracted meeting. Jake Cole and family have taken a trip through the country to Galveston Bay. Cotton picking has begun here on a small scale.

Lost Relative.

George Thompson, colored, who was married to Mary Kane or Cain, or his heirs, if he is dead, has an estate awaiting him. His mother-in-law, who resides in Philadelphia, writes that the last she heard of him he was in Louisiana. Address J. S. Rakerd, Annie Thomas' estate, Lewistown, Pa.

FIFTEEN YEARS OF PROGRESS.

Rapid Strides Made by the A. M. E. Sunday School Union—A Monument to the Negro of America.


A. M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION

Of all the public institutions owned and controlled by Afro-Americans the Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church deserves special mention. From a purely business standpoint it has been a decided success.

Organized August 11, 1882, it has just completed the first fifteen years of its existence. What as to results? It is the first colored religious denomination to adopt "Children's Day" as an anniversary of annual observance, and to apply the collections received therefrom to the extension of Sunday school work. It is the first colored religious organization in the world to purchase and possess real estate paid for by moneys raised exclusively by Sunday school children. It is the first colored religious denomination to issue a series of graded Sunday school helps, such as quarterlies and lesson papers. It is the first colored religious denomination to print and publish with the aid of its own machinery and material Sunday school literature and requisites.

From the returns of Children's Day it has received $56,969.57, while the receipts to business aggregate $158,658.

It has donated to needy Sunday schools in the way of books and periodicals, $5,057.98.

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Its periodicals have a circulation in almost every state and territory and in the West Indies and West and South Africa.

Its property and business is easily worth $40,000, and is free and unencumbered, except a current debt of $1,500, which is partially offset by a cash balance.

It has never assumed the attitude of a public beggar nor asked a white person for a single penny. Its support from all sources has come absolutely and exclusively from colored people.

Its founder, Charles Spencer Smith, has been its secretary and treasurer from its organization to the present.

Current Events.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Bennie Hudson gave an entertainment at his popular restaurant July 30. It was enjoyed by all, and the luxuries of the season were abundant. Dan. Mallory is dead. Albert Keesee gave a card party at his ice cream stand July 29. Miss Ida Gill has recovered from her illness. The Queen City Grays played the Bowling Green and Trenton clubs, but only won two games out of the series of four games. Thomas Cole arrived from St. Louis July 28. An excursion was run from this city to Louisville under the management of Jerome Boone, J. W. Dunn and others. Jerry Cobb has returned from Guthrie after a short stay. Rev. J. W. Porter, pastor of St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, is having his church thoroughly remodeled. While the Ministers and Deacons' Conference was holding a three-days' session at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church this week it was visited by Rev. C. H. J. Stokes, Superintendent of State Missions, who came to verify the sad intelligence and relate some of the incidents concerning the death of Rev. M. Vann. In the afternoon of Friday, July 30, the program of the Conference was suspended and memorial exercises were held in honor of the deceased herald of the Gospel. Rev. Stokes read the 89th Psalm and the congregation assisted in singing one of Rev. Vann's favorite hymns—"Go Preach My Gospel, Saith the Lord." In the course of his remarks the speaker told of early acquaintance and relations with Rev. Vann. He spoke of his energy, activity and earnestness in spreading the Gospel, of the good he had accomplished and of our loss of a hero and a leader. Other ministers, both Baptist and Methodist, made eulogistic remarks, and a committee of five was appointed by the chairman, Rev. L. Collins, to draw up resolutions and made its report as follows:

Whereas, Almighty God has seen fit to summon from this life our beloved brother and co-laborer, Rev. M. Vann, one who has spent a life of exceptional energy and activity in working for his Master, and who has accomplished much in enlightening and uplifting his fellowman and in teaching and persuading the people to follow Jesus; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, while knowing that a powerful advocate of the new faith has been removed at a time when his services seem most needed, bow in humble submission to the will of God, and ask Him that ruleth the universe to re-anoint his mantle and place it upon another.

Resolved, also, That we, while feeling the need of condolence ourselves, extend our sympathies to his bereaved wife and family. Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife and to the Indianapolis Freeman and the American Baptist for publication. Committee: Revs. A. O. Kenney, H. Metcalfe, G. W. Porter, A. B. Wimberly and T. J. Carr.

Many Teachers Absent.

Corinth, Miss., Special.

Many teachers are out of town. We had the pleasure of meeting Prof. J. B. Combs, Miss Mamie L. Williams, Prof. M. L. Hayes and Rev. G. W. Baker recently, who are teaching a summer school in Tennessee. A grand concert was exhibited on the nights of August 5 and 6. Prof. Hayes is a good comedian. The leading citizens of our town are Prof. A. D. Hayes, merchant; Prof. G. W Graham, preacher and teacher; Prof. J. B. Combs and Miss Mamie L. Williams The latter three are the teachers in the city high school here, which has a session of nine months. Our town is well blessed with a corps of teachers, preachers, mechanics, carpenters, blacksmiths, and also well-to-do farmers. Our people are very well represented in this part of the South.

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A Modern Way To Stop a Cough As Tried by a Prominent Iowa Minister.

In a recent letter he says: "Many winters have I coughed all winter long. Twice have I been compelled to rest from my ministerial duties, for a period of several years. When I took cold in winter the coughing would be intense. Last fall I took cold about the 15th of October, and was sick with it for about a week and began what I supposed was a winter of coughing. My wife called my attention to Dr. Kay's Lung Balm, and after much persuasion on her part, and a free expression (of a not flattering character) about patent medicines, on my part, I concluded to try the Lung Balm. I felt at once that it touched a place in my malady that nothing else had ever done. I began to improve. I used about 5 boxes and can now preach without coughing. I keep it by me and if I take cold I use it. If I have a bronchial irritation after preaching I take Dr. Kay's Lung Balm. I can cheerfully say that the Lung Balm has been a great help to me. It has no bad effect upon the stomach. Respectfully yours, J. D. De Tar, Pastor M. E. Church, Spring Hill, Iowa, Des Moines Conference." Sold by H. C. Pomeroy opp. post office.

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The train service of the C. H. & D. Ry., to Toledo and Detroit is wonderful. The speed and frequency of the through trains and the modern finish and elegance of the cars, are evidences of a very high class and liberal management. The vestibuled trains of this line mak the run between the Ohio River and the Great Lakes in 5 hours and 40 minutes. This is a progressive age, and the C.H. & D. Ry. are fully abreast of the times. The equipment on this modern highway is the new observation vestibuled trains, in which the vestibules extend to the entire width of the cars. With this arrangement, the train is continuous from end to end, and the running is as smooth as it is possible to accomplish. Five trains daily make heir way between the Ohio River and the Great Lakes.

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THE "NEW SAYINGS OF CHRIST."

The theological world and scholars generally are all agog over the reputed discovery of ancient papyri in the tombs of Egypt containing sayings of Christ not heretofore understood to have been uttered by Him. It is held that the manuscript dates from 150 to 300 years subsequent to the memorable event of the cross. Knowing the revolution produced in the world of beliefs by the unexpected incursion of the Christ, it follows that the sweep of a few centuries would not be sufficient to efface all memory, indirectly, or crowd into the sea of forgetfulness the sayings of Him who spake as man never spake before. It is this belief in the commotion and religious ferment caused by this remarkable advent that attaches so much importance to this find or else it would be of no more moment than the excavation of a Pompeiian vase. However, associated with this belief comes the greater importance of the discovery. The highly civilized nations of the world have always accepted the sayings of Christ ex-Cathedra—laws unto his followers. The greatest importance have been attached to his most insignificant utterances. Churches have been founded and rent assunder on the articles of faith. Peter, Petros, rock has been a rock indeed that has split the religious world into a thousand fragments, each one tenacious of its special interpretation. The injection of a new rule for christian action, or new beliefs will not tend to unify the thousand and one odd chism, all claiming to have sprung from the simple minded, single purposed Christ. Owing to the absolutism of the sayings of Christ as tenets of faith for the christian world an intrusion of "new sayings," not bearing genuine ear marks will not put at rest that far too restless element of religious discontents, seeming perceptibly to multiply amazingly rapidly. Unless the Sabbath day be observed, the kingdom of heaven is not possible, is the substance of one of the "new sayings." This, while not a great divergence from the supposed and understood spirit of Christ's ideas, yet no law so unyielding as the one given has been directly proclaimed to the world. The penalty for the non observance of the law is most emphatic, and the extent of observation necessary, very uncertain. This, doubtless, will be treated with much concern. The limitations of the law makes obedience painfully uncertain. Says the "new revelation:" "Raise the stone and there thou shalt find me, cleave the wood and there I am." Relieving our minds at once of any thought that a multiplicity of gods is implied—pantheism so to speak—a god lurking in every flower, we infer that He is a present help in time of need, a rock in a weary land—a refuge in a storm—omnipresent to all intents and purposes all along the rugged journey of life—there to bless, sooth and sustain. And was it not for this great lesson the poor and lowly of the world would find life an unsufferable burden. But the possibility of communing with the Master all along the way is a well spring of joy to mankind that is so near the earth, burdened down as a cart with many sheaves. The American slave can speak volumes on this subject. He sings and his reprimanded for singing "You may have all the world, but give me Jesus." The disturbance of such a thought would have been criminal three decades ago, when there was none to pity, none to save, save He hung upon the cross. They builded better than they knew; for out of that simple faith has erected a people who otherwise He would have sank back to a more savage savagery. And to the credit of that great race so resourceful in its faith there has not been, is not, and never will be another that could go on trusting blindly to providence as to the port of their destination. Other races would have been cowered into collared churls, hopeless inebriates such as the world has witnessed. But the words of Christ are engraven on the hearts of the civilized world. No matter what they import, authenticatication is only necessary at this late day to set in motion a new Peter, the Hermit, barefooted Kings and Princess. Forgery and inventions of man are to be guarded against. The fanatical hordes of Mussulmen that are knocking at the gates of all Europe are a brilliant example of the pitch to which men can be screwed when in the hands of shrewd men or even fanatics. The march of the Mohammedans as shown by Washington Irving was a crusade, which for success in movement, will over topple the combined religions of the world when sheer force is considered. And even now should these documents, although mildewed with age, contain a saying that in its application would cause a social revolution; men and means would not be found to carry them out to the furthest letter. Such is the inflamatory condition of man's mind on matters which are so vague, yet so important to mankind. It is believed that if the known injunctions of Christ were carried out, the world would be saved.

THE LYNCHING OF NEGROES.

Let the best element of the colored race declare that they have neither part in crime nor sympathy with criminals. Let them emphasize that declaration by pointing out those who are now in hiding and aid the officers of the law in pushing them onward to punishment. When public sentiment is outraged by an unmentionable crime, let there be no color line in its expression, so that there may be no haven or refuge for the monster guilty of this crime.—Atlanta Constitution.

Let the best element of the white race obey the laws of the land or substitute anarchy at once. It is the business of the law to punish crime, not a set of high minded rascals who feel that even the natural course of the law is too good for "niggers." Just to think this very week up until Tuesday four cases of reported lynching of Negroes, and no effort being made to bring about justice. And right here let it be said that the drive made at Bushnell, of Ohio, who is trying to get satisfaction out of the late outrage in that state, is vicious when all over the country the system is employed with impunity. At this stage of affairs states can not afford to be selfish, feeling that after us there are no others. I am my brother's keeper, may not have been thundered from Sinai, but in these times when there are studious attempts to assail colored men in order to make them appear immoral as a race, it is time that it becomes a national affair. The Atlanta Constitution, like most Southern individuals, has but one aim in view, and that is to give the Negro no standing in the minds of men. A denial made by a Negro or affirmation is not worth the breath with which it is made. A right to trial by jury is the demand of the Negroes.

Booker T. Washington, Principal of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., and Miss Maria Baldwin, the colored principal of the Aggasiz school in Cambridge, Mass., were recently elected honorary members of the Brooklyn Institute of Art and Science.

Mr. Cheatham has not proffered that clerkship to Indiana. What's the matter with Indiana, Mr. Cheatham?

ON TO RICHMOND.

The Commander-in-chief of the Confederate army veterans has issued a pronunciamento declaring that it is not advisable to urge Richmond, Va., as a place of meeting for the re-union of the G. A. R. He advances reasons that at this day seem in opposition to the spirit of complete reconciliation of the sections. He feels that it would tear afresh the wounds occasioned by the late unpleasantness, if the remnant of the Northern armies make a descent on Richmond, singing their war songs, "Marching through Georgia," the "Sour Apple Tree," and such like. He insists that the struggle of the business men, who are endeavoring to secure this meeting will be of no avail. But the doughty general arrives at the pith of his opposition in his last statement when he says that the presence of Negro soldiers, many of whom doubtless would come, would not be tolerated. He sets his hand against the chronic pacifier as an almost unendurable evil. Thus it is, the cause of reconciliation has received a set back in a day, that years only can retrieve. This is a case of a veritable "nigger in the woodpile." It is to be presumed was it not for this saber hued individual, who, like Banquo's ghost, will not down, all might go merry as marriage bells. The North has been making overtures of peace to the South for a third of a century, who like a child who has been well thrashed, is now being cajoled back to good spirits; but the South still pouts and frets, true to its childish instincts, spurning the proffered amends as further intrusion on its rights and privileges. The Commander-in-chief detests him that beareth the old faded olive branch of peace, and warns his cohorts to beware as though Greek were bearing gifts. Ordinary nature, mankind or nations would cease endeavoring to bury the hatchet. But victors, great victors can afford to be magnanimous to the vanquished. The North, doubtless, will continue on the lines of peace-making even to the citadel of rebellion itself. The South will live to reproach itself for its churlish action in so studiously attempting to affront the armies of the North.

A LETTER FOR GOV. BRADLEY.

Wilberforce University,
Wilberforce, O.,
July 20, 1897.

Hon. W. O. Bradley:
Governor of Kentucky:

Dear Sir:—In the name of eight million citizens and of this college community, I wish to pay homage to a man who has the sense of right and the courage to take the stand taken by yourself in the Dinning travesty on jurisprudence.

I know you desire no commendation and seek no applause for doing what you regard as your duty. But, sir, it is more to us than you have time to think, when mock trials have their decisions reversed and uncalled for mobs are properly and vigorously rebuked. We have no sympathy for crime, we do not condone outrages, by whomsoever committed, but we are not blind to the fact that by common consent in this country often condemnation of crime is withheld till the color of the criminal is ascertained.

No nobler, no more heroic utterance has been made since the birth of our government than this: "While I am Governor of the commonwealth (Kentucky) no man, however obscure and friendless, shall be punished for killing a member of a mob who comes to take his life or drive him from his home." For such words, exponents of a heart full of sympathy, and a mind full of a sense of justice. God bless W. O. Bradley, Governor of Kentucky.

Your obedient servant,
Faustin S. Delany,
Department of Mathematics,
Wilberforce University, O.

John S. Durham, in his article, "Three Growths," in the A. M. E. Quarterly Review, comes near covering the same ground as those now "famous" letters between Wm. M. Lewis, of Indianapolis, and R. W. Thompson, of Washington, D. C. He speaks of the aptitude of Negroes in adopting the modes of their employers; offering some very striking illustrations. He speaks of the "cold bottle and hot bird" episode as peculiar contagious with the Negro, when it is but a slight diversion for the employer. What Lewis calls the "big house," he characterizes more elegantly by saying the "mansion house." However, the thought is identical, being summed up possibly in these few words, that Negroes imbibe readily by contact, and we might say further, assimilate by predisposition.

Taggart thinks he will bring the great L. A. W. to Indianapolis in '98.

Bushnell for Governor of Ohio by all means. It is a sorry individual who would derail things at this juncture.

Lynch, Langston and Pinchback, though not generally quoted or spoken of, are said to be in it.

Rumor had it last week that the position of Registry of the Treasury would pass to Kentucky, but it was a false alarm merely.

The great triangular fight for the Registership of the Treasury—Bruce of Washington, Gaines of Kentucky, and Wright of Georgia.

Chase, of Washington, desires to call the Indiana Negro "Pudden Heads." Well we will just watch the progress of his stars.

Mr. George A. Myers, of Ohio, is one of the coming men of that state. He is now associated with the management of the present Ohio campaign.

Mr. Cheatham, of North Carolina, let us see — electoral votes for McKinley. Mr. Mud, of Indiana; let us see, fifteen votes for Mr. McKinley.—See!

Lynching is on the increase. This week starts off with four up until Tuesday. It threatens to break the record. Get guns Negroes!—Bishop Turner.

They say that Col. Pledger is organizing Congressional burreaus in the states for the sole purpose of assisting colored men to Congress. The magnanimous Pledger!

Two or three cases were reported last week where white girls were trying to elope with Negroes. It is a wonder that the cry of rape had not been started. Distance, perhaps, had something to do with it.

The tariff measures are now in vogue. Some slight evidences of better times are already perceptible. Wheat, which slumped so unmercifully in the recent past, has been climbing gradually upwards.

From all indications, the appointment of Rucker, of Georgia, is a very happy one. From the reputation Mr. Rucker bears no fitter person in the state could have been found to be more worthy of the honor.

Silver is on the decline in face of the strenous efforts of Democrats to give it standing with gold. With wheat advancing and silver declining, the Democrats will have to erect a new platform for future campaigns.

Dr. Elbert has declined the appointment to Bahia, at the hands of the administration. He feels that his advanced age and the small compensation would not justify a risk in a country where yellow fever is said to be indigenous and incessant.

The discovery of the Klondike mines is causing thousands of men to flock to that vicinity. Many are going unprepared to stand the rigor of that climate. It ought to be understood that a good deal of money and much clothing is necessary for such a trip.

Mr E. E. Cooper, of Washington, D. C., has been getting in some pretty effectual work for himself as Registry of the Treasury in an indirect way. He has been pushing the claims of Ex-Senator Bruce very assidiously, but the people, Priscilla like, say, why don't you ask for yourself, Ed.?

The assassination of Premier Canovas, of Spain, is but another mark of unrest, socialism or anarchy in the old world. It is specially remarkable that these things should be when there are no distinctions for than that drawn by lines of prosperity, which of course, is within the reach of all.

It is said that one hundred white clerks in the government service refused to work in the office to which McKinley appointed Henry A. Rucker, of Atlanta. Mr. Rucker can stand that; it will afford him an excellent opportunity to see that his own race comes in for a large share of the patronage cast so ruthlessly aside. It is not civil service to quit a job and keep it at the same time. The Negro needs money and respect shown him. The latter he can not get. He can force it with the former.

The ex-slave pension chestnut is the drawing card now and is fast winning over to its support many who could not see the meat in it some months since. For our part, poor blind mortal we are, it suggests these lines:

"With one hand he put
A penny in the urn of poverty,
And with the other took a shilling out."
—[Helena Progress.

And more the pity. Puck well says: "What fools ye mortals be!" It is strange, passing strange that error is so swift of foot and truth so slow. The eternal years of God may be truth's, but what boots it when irreparable devastation has been wrought by error. We feel that one cent put up in the hopes of expecting some compensation as former slaves will be criminally exacted.

So they are parcelling out the patronage of the Recorder of Deeds office at Washington, D. C., to newspaper men of the district, are they? Mr. Cheatham will you please ask McKinley how many electoral votes he got from Washington, D. C., or North Carolina for that matter? Suppose Indiana does not ask, would it not have been magnanimous to have tendered something to the home of Knox, Elbert and The Freeman, a paper that ramifies every state, and without a doubt of greater influence than any other single institution controlled by colored men in this country. Mr. Cheatham who is credited to Indiana in your office? What's the matter with Indiana, Mr. Cheatham?

The mob enthusiast, in order to appear respectable, are insisting that Negroes take the bridleless passionate Negroes in hand and teach them moral lessons. The Norfolk Recorder is taking to the twaddle and apoligizing for the "froward and perverse" Negro spirit. It can just stop right there. The Negroes are not raping half so much as pretended, and even if so, there is a place to find it out. Hear say evidence is unfit to take a man's life on. They have no case. We have a strong one. A right to trial by jury of one's peers, is one of the tests of a free people. No man is guilty until proven so. Every man is innocent until proven guilty. Let these whites obey the laws they have made. If they are not strong enough, make them stronger. We have no compromise to offer. Open up the courts!

THE OHIO SITUATION.

The studied efforts on the part of certain Democratic newspapers and individuals to foment trouble in the ranks of the Republican party, and particularly among the colored contingent thereof, will recoil upon them and put them to shame. The attitude of Governor Bushnell toward the unfortunate Urbana affair deserves the commendation of all fair-minded and law-observing people. His course from the time this thing occurred up till now has been that of a careful and painstaking executive. His first duty was to ascertain the facts; this having been accomplished and his way cleared for the prosecution of a judicial investigation, he acted promptly and decisively. The cases bow before the Supreme Court of the State, and let us, instead of blocking the wheels of justice, assist in the unraveling of this tangled thread, and after all is ended the world will know who is blameless and who is not. A brave man courts the fullest investigation into his official acts; a coward shrinks and cries out against what he terms as persecution. This proceeding will reveal who was brave and who was the coward.—Springfield Review.

St. Louis Gossip.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Dr. William R. B. Arthur, one of Howard University's brightest graduates, has located here at 813 N. Twentieth street. It is very generally understood that genial Frank A. Carter, of the R. M. S., and a young lady resident of this city will before November take a trip to the hymenial altar. There are eight colored mail clerks running into St. Louis, one of whom, Butler Camfield, stands the best examination in the department, notwithstanding there are 2,000 clerks—and he a Negro. Will Edmonds left for Nashville, Tenn., on a visit. The Sumner High School has been removed to a much better location. Thanks for the change. Prof. P. V. Brown, of St. Paul, Minn., is visiting his brother, Lord Earl Brown, of S. Fourteenth street. Capt. T. J. Sanders and Capt. W. H. Robinson are quite busy with their respective divisions, getting ready for the competitive drill at Columbus, O., next month. The test ride s of the Twenty-third Regiment will return to Fort Missoula, Mont., by rail. They have made quite a success under Sergeants Sanders and Haines. The little St. Nicholas was headquarters for Uncle Sam's boys while here in our city.

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LONG LIVE THE QUEEN.

Concluded From First Page.

Tennessee The last Ohio lynching appeared in most of the newspapers of this country, and when I read of the cowardly deed I could not help saying how little respect the citizens of the United States have, not only for the inaugural address of their President, but also for the man himself. There is no people in Europe who would disregard the desire of their chief of State to such an extent as the citizens of Ohio disregarded the wish of their ex-Governor. Here very little is said about the lynching of Negroes because it not only keeps the Afro-Americans from advancing, but the whole of the United States, and during that time this country is marching onward and taking the very places that the United States should take for their fast-growing intellectual Afro-American population.

But were there in any part of the world a great empire of black men governed by black men, the black races everywhere would be more respected—better thought of.

When I was in my teens it was my honor to meet during the same year both the late Hon. Frederick Douglas and the Rev. Bishop Payne. The idea that I formed of the first named was that he was a good aristocratic ruler, and of the second that he was a democratic Christian ruler. And I have never heard it said that Bishop Payne lived for anything else but for the welfare of his people; he seems to have given all he had to them, even his money. God bless his memory to his church and people.

It was never my honor to see Bishop Turner, but I hope some day to meet him, for I think to see in him three men, viz: Bishop Payne, Hon. Frederick Douglas and Toussaint L'Ouverture.

It is reported that the English mission to the Emperor of Abyssinia was very succesful. The object of the mission seems to have been to ascertain whether the Abyssinians were going to aid the Dervishes in the war which England has this month recommenced against them The mission was well received by the emperor, who gave the leaders thereof nice presents. But the French newspapers say that the English did not get the full desire of their hearts at the court of Menelik. The French are putting up telegraph wires in Abyssinia, and the chief engineer of the emperor is a Swiss from Zurich. Are there no Afro-American engineers willing to go to the aid of Abyssinia? Cannot the Afro-Americans send a mission, too, to the Emperor of Ethiopia? The present generation of Afro-Americans should open up routes of trade and positions for their unborn generations, and in this work it is behooveful to make haste in a hurry.

The festivities of the "Diamond Jubilee" only finished in London last week, but here in Yorkshire the end of June and the beginning of July have been so very cold that the people seem to have forgotten that there ever was a "Record Reign." Many people were obliged to heat their drawing-rooms last week to keep themselves warm. But the wind changed last Friday and since then we have had warm weather. Haymakers are profiting by this agreeable change and are making hay while the sun shines. Crops will not be very good in this country this year. There will be very little fruit, and in some parts hail has not only knocked the branches off the fruit trees, but has also beaten down the wheat. Business is moderate all through the British Isles.

Yours sincerely,
J. T. Rutling.

Leeds, England, July 13, 1897.

Lost Relative.

Rev. G. A. Thomas (colored) who is a resident of Lake Providence, Lousiana, and who is the husband of Mrs. Nancy Thomas and the pastor of the Center Baptist church, left his home December 22 last enroute to Bryan, Texas, for the purpose of visiting relatives and look after matters pertaining to real estate. He told his wife and members that he would return within six or eight weeks but he has not returned. He wrote home last from Houston, Texas about the middle of April and said in his letter that he was in the act of leaving Houston for Bryan. Any information leading to his where-abouts will be thankfully received. Address, Mrs. Nancy Thomas, Lake Providence, La.

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THE STAGE

Billy Caldwell is with Al. G. Field's Negro Minstrels.

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George Titchner, "cake walk swell" is with the "Georgias."

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Mme. Lizzie Pugh-Dougan, has just finished a very successful tour of Ohio.

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Isham's "Oriental America" company is still creating a sensation through Great Britain.

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The Sisters DeWolfe, duettists, were in the olio at Austin & Stone's Museum, Boston, last week.

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Al and Mamie Anderson, protean sketch artists, extraordinary, were at Austin & Stone's Museum, Boston, last week.

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Old reliable Richards & Pringle's Famous "Georgias" have united with Rusco & Holland's Operatic Minstrels; they opened their season at Racine, Wis., July 24.

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J. Harry Fiddler, Jim Crosby, Dan Palmer, and Billy Caldwell are the chief fun-makers with Al. G. Field's Negro Minstrels.

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James White, the clever parody producer, dancer, comedian and musician, last season with "Darkest America," is with Richards & Pringle's "Georgias."

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The Fountain City Quartette will not be with the Georgia Graduates this season, but will continue playing dates over the Western circuit.

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The "Only" Billy Kersands, the "highest salaried" comedian in the world, still heads the list of fun-makers Richards & Pringles "Georgias."

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The Great Gauze, the unrivalled female impersonator, now with Richards & Pringle's "Georgias," will at the close of the present season, leave for Europe, where he has a three years engagement.

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Oscar Paul, England's favorite basso profundo, last season with "Darkest America," is spending his vacation in Indianapolis. Mr. Paul has not, as yet, signed with any one for the season, he has received several offers.

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Neil Moore, jr., author and producer of the laughable skits: "Lucy's Lawn Party" and "The Two Brothers," has been re-engaged for this season with Richards & Pringle's "Georgias." Mr. Moore is the originator of a peculiar line of Negro comedy.

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Richards & Pringle's "Georgias" has been the school where nearly all the prominent colored stars of this country and England received their training. Many of the leading vaudeville organizations of America are proud possessors of an artist from the ranks of the "Georgias."

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Madison Johnson, the giant drum major, engaged for the coming season with John W. Vogel's "Darkest America," is undoubtedly the tallest drum major known. He is 8 feet, 7½ inches tall, without his shoes. His first pair of shoes, just finished, are No. 22 and are 16 inches long, six inches wide and each shoe weighs 7½ pounds. He is only 19 years old, and weighs about 215 pounds. Johnson will wear on parade a 10-inch white beaver shako, which will make his height even more prodigious than it really is.

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There is a charm, a catchiness to the Negro melodies of our own sunny South possessed by no other music. An audience listlessly enjoying a classic selection by a splendid orchestra—the introduction of a lively Negro melody will arouse them to enthusiasm. Foster's "Old Folks at Home," "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," "Suwanee River" will live in memory after arias from grand operas have passed away. "Darkest America" has Southland's sweetest singers, camp-meeting shouters to say nothing of the half hundred cultured vocalists. The music in "Darkest America," both vocal and instrumental, is of the kind that touches the popular fancy. The gorgeous scenery and original stage effects are of a wonderful character. Nothing has approached this production in magnitude or grandeur. Coupled with the fact that the ideas or original and built upon new lines, the secret of the success of this mammoth production is told. The scenery was all painted from photographs or sketches of the objects or places represented—this, with the naturalness of the acting of the various characters, creates an interest rarely excited by stage productions. The pleasurable pastimes, the superstitions of the hoodoo, the home life of the Negro in the South, are all truthfully portrayed in "Darkest America." It is not all plantation, fun and frolic, for in the fourth act is given a clever rendition of popular opera, with all the costumes, music, etc. "Darkest America" is the only of the kind, and is original in all things. The third annual tour will begin about August 19.

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Al. G. Field's Negro Minstrels opened their third annual season at Piqua. O., July 24. The company numbers forty people. Will A. Junker is the manager. The company travels in fine style on special cars. The comedians are J. Harry Fiddler, Jim Crosby Dan Palmer, and Billy Caldwell. The vocalists are U. S. G. Patterson, Roney Hughes, R. B. Shelton, Willie Snyder, Rufus King, Ben Moore, Dan Morenno, Chas. Spiller and the Magnolia Quartette and a Pickaninny quartette. The specialties are by the Lenwood Trio, Prof. Sanders' Monkey and Dog Circus, Cicero Reed and son, Marsh Craig, and Holland & Jackson. R. N. Thompson is the band leader and Prof. Frank Hailstock leader of orchestra. The musicians are Fred Simpson, Billy Walker, David Gee, Wash Fanning, Arthur Rhodes, H. Preston, Geo. Pittman, Wm. Snellon, Walter Patton, N. Walsh, Chas. Cooper and John Randolph. After playing Michigan, Canada will be played. From the opening night the company has met with success. The stage setting and costumes are much admired. and the performance has met with universal favor.

Columbus Briefs.

Columbus, O., Special.

Julia Keys, the daughter of Tom Graves, who has been sick with typhoid fever, died August 9 and was buried August 11. Miss M. Tate, of Mount Sterling, is visiting Mrs. Charles Garner on Mann street. James Russell has purchased an interest in Sam Clark's saloon. Mrs. Thompson, of Australia, is on the sick list. Samuel Magruder, ex-soldier, died and was buried from his home on South Seventh street. Charles Green and Harry Neal, of the Ninth Batalion, were given a ten days' sentence for failing to attend drill. Robert Napper, ex-guard of the Ohio penitentiary, is visiting his old friends here. William Fields, a member of Co. H., Fifth U. S. Col. Inf'y, died and was buried from Shiloh Baptist Church August 4. Funeral service by Elders Crodic and Maxwell. Dr. John Banks, of Cincinnati, paid his mother, Mrs. Nancy Patterson, of Ohio avenue, a flying visit Sunday. Rus. Williams paid his friends a short visit. Mrs. M. Muse, of Rendville, is visiting Mrs. Jackson, of Talmadge street. William Parrish, who was taken with hemorhage, is better. James Tyler, who was an applicant for a clerkship at State Republican Headquarters, has consented to assume the responsible position of janitor of the building. J.W. Vogel's "Darkest America" are showing here previous to starting out on their summer tour. Among the many performers are: W. Porter, W. Brown, H. Waters, L. E. Chenault, W. Lewis. J. Rucker, Hampton and Johnson, Gil Garray, Moore and Kirk, J. A. Osburn, F. Patrick; Misses L. Garray, E. Dawson, Mary Lee, S. Lee, Nannie Lee, Black Carl and wife.

A Sailing Party.

Wawasee, Ind., Special.

The weather is very cool and a number of guests have returned home. In the first series of yacht races by the Wawasee Yacht Club the Manoquet, owned by Col. Eli Lilly, won the trophy, a beautiful pennant. Col. Lilly, who has been sick for some time, is recovering. Hart's famous orchestra is the life of the "Inn." Some of the "Inn" boys are homesick. John Samuels returned to Indianapolis last Saturday. "Have you got The Freeman?" is heard on all sides. Four of the boys, including the writer, went yachting. Capt. Wright, better known as "Doctor," had charge of the yacht. With all on board, sail struck, the boat sped on with lightning rapidity. The ease with which the yacht glided over the water caused one of our number who was acting as a sort of guide and whose voice is that of a high tenor, to joyfully exclaim, "O, Doctor, this is lovely." He had scarcely completed the sentence, which was a compound one, when suddenly the yacht was struck by what the sailor terms a "jibe," causing it to keel over on one side. This caused all on board to clamber to the opposite side of the boat to prevent capsizing. At this juncture the gentleman referred to finished his sentence, but in a spirit of uneasiness: "Doctor, she is too far over on one side." After the above-mentioned accident another accident almost equivalent to a wreck overtook the yacht. As she was carried along with the wind one of the cords that held the sail intact broke, causing the sail to fall into a heap on the deck. The boat became unmanageable and was caught by the wind and drifted ashore. In the meantime a passing steamer was signaled and the boat was towed out into deep water. Sail was again hoisted and all soon safely landed. There has been little talk of sailing since.

A Grand Barbecue.

Meridian, Miss., Special.

Meridian was visited Sunday, the 8th inst., about 11:30 a. m. with a very heavy rain-fall. Bridges and fences played a very important part in the wash-away. The rain lasted two hours. Phœnix Fire Co 2. gave a grand barbecue at the fair ground on Thursday, August 12, both day and night. The committee was: J. W. Harris, J. W. Lee and L. W. Griffin. P. J. Ivy, who has been gone from Meridian for some time, has returned to the city looking well. Mrs. R E. L. Eastland, who has been visiting Mrs. J. W. Longstreet on 26th avenue, has returned to her home in Mobile, Ala. Miss Mary E. Watkins, a young lady of many accomplishments, died at her home northeast of the city Tuesday morning, August 12. She was the eldest daughter of D. B. Watkins. Her remains were taken to Shubuta for interment on Tuesday evening. We are sorry to note the sickness of Mail Agent L. G. Murray. Miss Annie Mixie, who has been visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Mitchell on Eleventh street, left for her home in Edwards on the 6th. Rev. A. J. McNair preached two funerals at Rose Hill on Sunday, August 8, at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. A number from Meridian attended, Prof. E. H. Triplett, who has been visiting Nashville, returned to the city a few days ago and left for West Side, Miss., on Friday, the 6th inst. His family, who are visiting at Macon, Miss., will join him later on. Rev. J. H. Thompson, of Kentucky, who has been in the city some time, has been carrying on a revival at Union Baptist Church, West End, for the past week. The meeting is well attended. Mrs. Susie Watson left on the 7th inst. for Clinton, Miss., to visit her husband, Rev. L. W. Watson. We wish for her a safe trip. Mrs. Dr. J. M. May and children, who have been visiting her parents in Summit, Miss., returned home on the 7th inst Quite a large number of colored people left Sunday for Enterprise, Miss., at the close of the M. E. Conference. Prof. Baxton left on the M. & O. for Lauderdale, where he is teaching school. A grand entertainment was given at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Miller Friday night, the 6th inst., in honor of Miss Annie Mixie. There was a large attendance. Robert Miller, who has been quite sick for some time, is improving nicely. Mrs. Mary Gaston left a few days ago for Nashville, Tenn., to visit her husband, Rev. Mat. Gaston. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Love are rejoicing over a new arrival at their home on Thirteenth street—a boy. Rev. W. H. Jermagin left on the 9th inst. for Shuqualak to attend the association. Revs. J. C. Hibbler, J. L. Wilson, Mrs. McKilson, Mrs. Frances Joiner and others came up from Enterprise on the 8th inst.

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Yazoo Notelets.

Yazoo City, Miss., Special.

Sunday August 1, was quarterly day on the Benton circuit, at Wesley's Chapel. Miss Lula Kent and Freddie Allen are on the sick list. The National Bazaar, seemingly, conducted by Miss M. L. Williams and Mr James, was a financial success; Miss Mamie Jackson presided at the organ; and the choir led by Miss Junius rendered good music. Rev. S. A. Cowan has been quite sick this week. Miss Corine Jones and Mrs. P. O. Jamison expect to give a concert, the latter part of this month. Miss Maggie H. Luse after a pleasant stay in Jackson the guest of Miss Anna Wilson, returned home last Sunday. Misses Carrie Mitchell and Eddie Butler are visiting friends. Prof. J. A. Martin is in Jackson, erecting some houses for rental purposes. Frank Parker has work in our neighboring city. D. Ross will take contracts for painting.

CINCINNATI CORRESPONDENCE

Illustrated Lecture by a Returned African Missionary—Personal and Social Matters.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Rev. Prowd, of the Union Baptist Church, preached an eloquent sermon last Sunday at 11 a. m. Text: "Occupy Till I come." The congregation was exceptionally large, and the choir, being the equal of any in the city, sang some of its choicest music. Rev. Dr. Wilson, of St. John's A. M. E. Z. Church, as usual preached two stirring sermons. Rev. W. J. Wayte, of the Zion Baptist Church, at 11 a. m. delivered quite an excellent sermon on baptism Text, Luke 15:18, after which one happy soul was buried beneath the liquid. At 8 p. m. there was a special sermon to young men. Theme: "Experience of a Young Man," which received close attention; after which the choir sweetly sang "Where is My Wandering Boy To-night?" Rev. R. L. Stewart, the recently returned missionary from Monrovia, West Africa, is in the city and gave a grand lecture with stereoptican illustrations last Monday evening at the Union Baptist Church. The lecture was for the benefit of his mission and was favored with a large attendance. The Fifth Christian Church and the Phyllis Wheatly L. Society will give a basket meeting August 22 at Meyers' Grove on the C. H. & D. Fare for round trip, 50 cents; children, 25 cents. Mrs. Mattie Wilkins, of Cleveland, is visiting in the city, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Capitola Johnson, of 662 W. Fifth street. Miss Gertrude Jones, of Huntington, W. Va., is in the city, the guest of her sister, Miss Effie Ringgold, on Carlisle avenue. Miss Lorena Crittenden is visiting friends in Indianapolis. Miss Florence Anthony, after a month's stay, returned to her home at Seymour, Ind., highly pleased with her visit. Miss Ida West, of 416 Hopkins street, who left a few weeks ago for an extended visit to Chicago, is reported very sick. Her friends hope for her speedy recovery. Misses Beatrice and Mamie Johnson, of Indianapolis, were the guests of Miss Lorena Crittenden last week. Miss —— Thomas, of Indianapolis, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Geo. W. Bullett, of 232 George street. The Republican Bi-metallic League that was recently organized under the leadership of W. C. Calloway, is meeting with much success. Hon. W. A. Gaines, the aspirant for Registry of the Treasury, passed through the city last Sunday on his way to his home in Kentucky. The tri-annual meeting of the Grand Lodge U. B. F. will take place at Nashville September 4, continuing five days. Mrs. Stewart, of 423 Park street, returned home last week from Indianapolis.

SUMMER PLEASURES CLOSING.

Literary Clubs Beginning to Look for Indoor Entertainment—Dramatic Club Organized—Personal.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Miss Rosa Young is spending several weeks at Fairfield, Ky. Dr. J. T. Prewitt leaves in a few days for Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, where he will practice medicine. Mrs Mary Pullman of 643 West street is visiting at Frankfort with relatives. Mrs. Georgia Hodges has gone to Litchfield to spend several weeks visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. Jennie Perkins left for Russelville Saturday for a fortnight's visit to relatives Miss Lizzie Quesenberry, of Russellville, was in the city last Sunday, the guest of Mrs. Mary Cox, 1530 Lexington street. A fine girl baby arrived at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Carrington last Sabbath. Miss Mary Loving is here from Bowling Green, Ky., for several days, visiting Mrs. Mary Cox, 1530 Lexington street. Mrs. Sarah Gray has returned from Memphis, Ind.

Mrs. Maria Knox is in the city from Lexington, Ky., for several weeks, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R W. Riley, 532 Roselane street. Mrs. Fannie Stapleton spent Sunday last in Frankfort, Ky. Thomas Marshall will leave in a few days for a pleasure trip to Indianapolis. Mrs. Mary Miller is visiting relatives in Greensburg. The G A. R. picnic took place at Jeffersonville August 9 As the summer season draws to a close for picnics, boat excursions, etc., the Literary Club members begin to look out for indoor entertainment; therefore it will not be amiss to mention the fact that the Louisville Shakespearian Club has now begun their rehearsals for the fall and midwinter entertainments, which promise to far excel anything they have given in the past. Space will not permit of a lengthy article, but it suffices so say that they are up and doing. They are getting in excellent shape for their first entertainment this coming fall, which will be the five-act tragedy of "Othello, the Moor of Venice," which will be headed by Mr. Chas Wallace, supported by Miss E. B. Frazier as "Desdemona" and a talented company of local tragedians. Following are some of the cast: "Iago," Mr. Jno. W. Russell; "Brabantio," W. H. Terrell; "Lodovico," Mr. John Brooks; "Cassio," Alonzo Taylor; "Roderigo," S.E. Evans; "Montano," T. H. Terrell; "Emilia," Miss Mary Jackson, etc. This play presents three hours of thrilling interest. They propose to devote the season exclusively to the production of entertainments entirely devoid of objectionable features. Louisville office of Freeman, 1218 W. Madison street.

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Nashville, Tenn., Special.

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Jottings From Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Martha Hoover, residing at 219 Seminary street, has just returned from the University Hospital of Ann Arbor, where she has had a successful operation performed on her eyes for cataract by Dr. Johnson. She is over 60 years old, and although having been blind for five long years, she has been in perfect health with the exception of a few days' sickness. Mrs. S. Stewart, of Kalamazoo avenue, is on the sick list. Frank Wilson, the postman, will take his vacation soon. He will go to Bay City, and from there to Detroit, Rev. Bell, of Cassopolis, was in the city on business Thursday. Sunday was the last quarterly meeting of this year. Three able sermons were rendered, two by Rev. Schultz and one by Rev. J. H. Hill. The choir's singing could not be excelled. Mrs. Grains and her two daughters, of Paris, Ky., were the guests of Mrs A. F. Hedgbeth.

Tennessee News Notes.

McMinnville, Tenn., Special.

The weather has been very warm here, notwithstanding the balmy breezes that sweep from the mountains that surround us. We have an active and progressive people, many of whom have homes of their own. They are hospitable and entertaining. The young people here are alert and especially generous. A large number of our people are preparing to attend the Centennial at Nashville in September. Mrs. R. O. Speers, who was reported sick, is convalescent. J. W. Woodlee, who is teaching school at Leesburg, reports favorably. Dr. Burt has recently fitted up a nice office on Beersheba street, telephone No. 1. Died, Tuesday evening, August 3, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Overby, their infant child, aged two months. They have the sympathy of a large number of friends. Buy your Freeman of Reuben Potter, agent. Mrs. Lucinda Ross and her little granddaughter, Blanche, of Knoxville, are here on a visit at the residence of her son, H. Anderson. John Black is having a beautiful building erected on his place. Mrs. America Vaughn, who has been very sick for four weeks, is convalescent.

Appreciates The Freeman.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

Rev. W. C. Banton preached Sunday at St. Luke A. M. E. church. Miss Edna Anderson, Messrs C. and B. Johnson have subscribed for The Freeman. Mrs. Willie Pollard is on the sick list. Mrs. C. A. Catledge has returned from to Americus, Ga., after a pleasant stay in the city. Rev. John Harmon filled the pulpit at St. Luke A. M. E. church last Sunday night. The Freeman is read here with great interest. The people say they can not get along well without The Freeman. Messrs Wm. Thomas and Jerry Garder are great admirers of The Freeman. Mrs. Mary Gary has been quite sick but is able to be out. Rev. J. H. Edson, editor of the Baptist Leader, of Selma, Ala., spent several days in the city last week with Rev. J. N. Jackson. The choir of Thankful Baptist church rendered choice music last Sunday night. If you want to know what the race is doing call on W. H. Wallace and get The Freeman.

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A small platform is in the center of Marchesi's salon, where the pupil stands and recites (or sings) her lesson. The class sit around the room and criticise. The pupil has to face not only the class, but the audience includes often the first musicians of the world. How does a sensitive woman bear the gun fire of Mme. Marchesi's criticism, her ridicule, her sarcasm and severity? One day one of the class was having her 15 minutes of lesson before a crowded room. Marchesi was in a sardonic humor that morning. Her remarks were brilliant, but more cutting than a Damascus blade. The audience felt that a climax was coming. It came. The girl's lip began to tremble as Marchesi's commentary sparkled and cut and sparkled again. Her lip trembled more and more. The agitation gained upon her whole body, till she shook like a willow in the wind. Poor dear, the other pupils held their breath. The room was silent as a tomb. You could hear Marchesi's watch tick in her pocket. Still the pupil strove to bring out the tone that those severe lips of Marchesi had commanded. At last the voice rolled out. The tone gained upon the room. The voice stopped.

"You sing like a fool!" literally hissed Marchesi, and the storm broke.

The girl burst into tears. Her sobs, coming upon the silence, were most painful. Not one of the pupils dared to rush forward with comfort or handkerchief. The girl threw the sheet of music on the floor and covered her face with her hands. Then, dashing the tears away from her face, she stooped down, gathered up the scattered music, tore it into shreds, tossed it to every part of the room, and rushed from the platform stage. All felt it was over with her forever, so far as lessons with Marchesi were concerned, and more than one heart ached for her.

"Ha, ha!" laughed Marchesi, rising delightedly from the piano, rubbing her hands together and walking, or rather stalking, majestically through the room and up and down and again seating herself at the piano. "Ha, ha! That girl will sing! She has the grand fire. She is dramatic. She has the fine passion of the devil." And the girl came back the next day and won Marchesi's bravos and hand clapping.

Upon another occasion Marchesi sat in judgment upon a pupil's hands as she stood upon the platform.

"Now, don't put up your lip like a baby," she says, "if I tell you that I never saw such a booby. You're as awkward as a country clown. Look at your hands! Just look at them dangling down at your sides like a jumping jack waiting to twitch on a pole. Mais, voila," she continued, softening a little, "if I do not tell you, ma chere, of these things now while you are in my salon, do you know who will tell you of them later on when you stand for the first time before one of the great audiences of Europe? The reporters will flay you alive and deservedly. Will they not note down every awkward gesture, every gaucherie? Will they not say, 'She has a divine voice, but she held her hands like a clown?' And when you read it in all the papers the next morning, ah, how you will exclaim, 'Why did not Marchesi correct me, tell me, reprove me, no matter how severely?' Now, hold your hands easily, one palm crossed upon the other, the right hand across the left, the forefinger and middle finger of the right hand between the thumb and forefinger of the left hand. Bon! Now, see what ease of position, what repose it gives to your whole figure as you stand there."

To look over the programme for the concerts Mme. Marchesi gives from time to time is to read a strange collection of names. Here are pupils from Japan. Here is a name from Norway. Here is a lady from Finland. Here are sturdy Scotch names. Here are American names—girls from St. Louis, San Francisco, the Maine woods, the gulf states. New Zealand has representatives on the programme. To look over Marchesi's album is to see some of the portraits of the world's great singers and their signatures.—New York Sun.

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Dr. William Key, formerly of this place, is here spending a few days with friends. He has sold his educated horse for $10,000 He leaves in a few days for New York where he is to exhibit the horse six months according to contract. Rev. Knight has been elected pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, and has entered upon his duties. Mr. Grant S. Neal, the traveling representative of The Freeman, has been in the city two weeks, and has succeeded in securing a large number of subscribers; among them are many representative whites. We were proud to see this liberality on the part of the whites. Mrs. Mary J. Andrews and Mrs. B. J. Burkeen have returned from a pleasant trip to Nashville. Miss Theora McKinney is visiting the Centennial. Memorial exercises of Rev. M. Vann will be held at Mt. Zion next Sunday. Misses Janie Benson and Emma J. Terry, of Nashville, and Miss Stockard, of Kansas City, who have been spending a few days with Mrs M. A. Nixon, have returned to Nashville. Mrs P. E. Peacock has purchased a nice horse. A large number of people attended the funeral of Charles Davis. He was indeed a model young man. W. H. Gosling, Esq., never fails to make it pleasant for visiting young ladies. If some one of them don't mind he will keep somebody here some day.

To Suppress Mob Low.

The National Anti-Mob and Lynch Law Association, with headquarters in Springfield, O., has elected the following officers: National President, Wm. H. Dixon; National Secretary, Samuel E. Huffman; National Organizer, E. T. Butler. The organization is incorporated under the State laws of Ohio. It is proposed to establish branches of the association throughout the country for the purpose of discouraging mobs and to secure such legislation as will insure the suppression entirely of such practices. The office of the association is located at 503 Lagonda avenue, and for all information concerning the association should be addressed to the secretary at the above number.

SAMUEL E. HUFFMAN,
Springfield, O.

BRYAN'S PAPER.

The Editor Again Restored to Health

Mr. George W. Hervey, editor of the Weekly Omaha World-Herald, is a perfect picture of health and looks more like the Hervey of other days. To see him now, one can hardly believe that he has been such a great sufferer. He writes of his failing health and recovery, in his characteristic way as follows:

"For several years I was troubled with indigestion so severe as to make it impossible to take more than two meals a day without intense suffering. I grew worse gradually until, July 1895, I was suddenly attacked with increased pain and soreness over the pit of my stomach and sharp pains in my right side which rapidly increased until I could scarcely get my breath. A physician was called for immediate relief and hypodermic injections of morphine were resorted to for relief. I was able to be out in about a week but had a second attack the following August, more intense than before. I was reduced from 156 to 134 lbs. in nine days and left wholly unable to take any nourishment. I lived on lime water and a very little milk for several days after. For one year I carried morphine pellets in my pockets ready for an emergency. All this time my stomach was sore and very sensitive. I discovered that what would agree with my stomach this week would probably not next week and that I was getting nearer and nearer to a final collapse. I consulted 3 of the best physicians in the state and two agreed fully as to my ailment but failed to give me relief. Having utterly failed to obtain relief, I finally made arrangements to go to Chicago to be treated when my little boy chanced to get a sample package of Dr. Kay's Renovator which he brought to me. I was induced to try it, not having the least faith in its virtues. I thought the sample relieved me and I purchased a 25 cent box. Before it was all used I had so improved that I was taking three meals a day, which I had not done for years. I then used one package of the large Dr. Kay's Renovator and one more of the small size. It is eight months since I commenced using Dr. Kay's Renovator and I now have no symptoms whatever of my old trouble. I have recommended it to many of my friends for stomach trouble and I think all have reported relief." Geo. W. Hervy, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 17, 1897. Dr. Kay's Renovator is sold by druggists or sent by mail for 25 cts. and $1. Booklet free Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb. Sold by H. C. Pomeroy, opp. post office.

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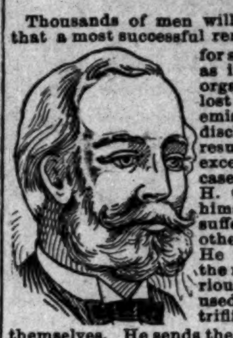

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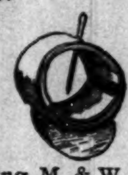
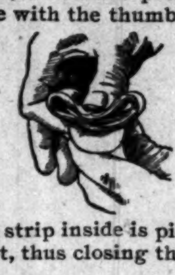
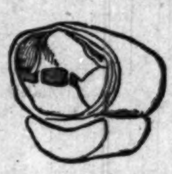


By injecting M. & W. quick-repair cement through the puncture into this inner tube, and then pressing down on the tire with the thumb, like this,



the repair strip inside is picked up by the cement, thus closing the puncture, like this:



Very simple, but—now every rider should remember these two "buts," or he will fail:

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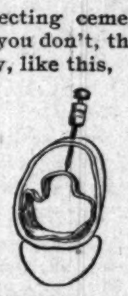

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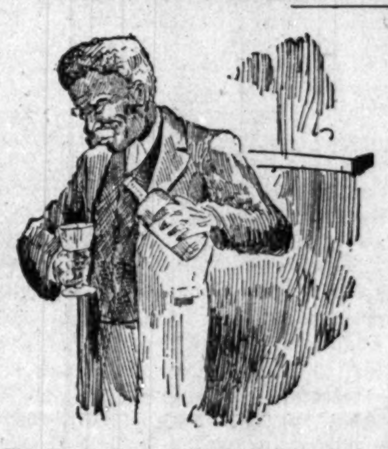

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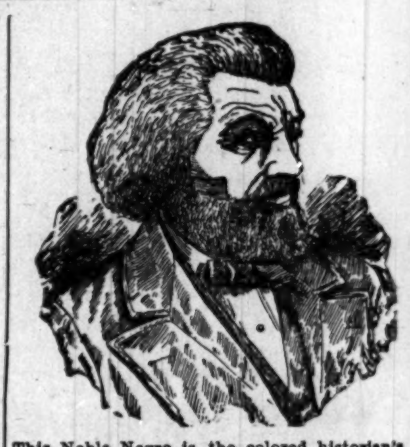

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 And met a drunken sot;
He staggered up against the fence
 And swore that it was hot.

I next espied a portly cook
 Contending with a pot;
She cast a furtive glance at me,
 Exclaiming, "It is hot."

Next came along a dandy dude,
 Who put on quite a lot;
Raising his spectacles aloft
 Remarked, "You bet it's hot."

By this time I had grown quite tired
 Of hearing so much rot;
So to the next man I said, "Friend,
 Don't tell me 'it is hot.'"

I now returned unto my home
 And laid down on my cot,
And as I tried to get my breath
 I said, "It's hot, it's hot."

Grand Session of K. of P.

Poplar Bluff. Mo., Special.

One of the most crowning events in the history of Poplar Bluff among the colored people was the convening of the colored K. of P. of the State of Missouri in annual convention, which continued in session July 27, 28 and 29. At 11:25 a. m. R. C. Carter, G. C., called the Grand Lodge to order in informal session, and after a few fitting remarks introduced Hon. T. F. Davidson, who welcomed them in behalf of the citizens in a very eloquent strain. He was responded to in behalf of the Grand Lodge by Prof. D. E. Gordon, Prof. H. A. Wheeler welcomed the visitors in behalf of Flora Lodge No. 15, of this city, and was responded to by Prof. Chas. H. Brown, of St. Louis. An essay was read by an admired and charming young lady of Southeast Missouri, Miss Artie M. Wyatt. The essay was entitled "Fidelity, Harmony and Love." The Grand Lodge proper reassembled at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by Grand Chancellor R. C. Carter. After invocation of the Deity by A. H. Buliner, G. P., the Grand Chancellor declared the convention ready for any business that might come before it. The roll of officers was called and responded to as follows: R. C. Carter, G. C.; B. L. Caruthers, P. G. C.; J. P. Maynard, G. V. C.; A. H. Buliner, G. P.; M. H. Rolen, G. M. E; H. A. Wheeler, G. K. of R. and S. S. Rep.; A. W. Lloyd, C. K. Robinson, S. and T. E. B. The I. G. O. G. and M. at A. being absent, the following were appointed to fill the stations, respectively: Wm. Shepherd, R. P. Smith and W. I. Kelley. Many deliberations of the most vital importance were included in the transactions of this noble body.

Late in the afternoon of the first day the Supreme Chancellor, Prof. Z. C. Ross, came in. The officers for the ensuing year were elected the last day as follow: G. C., Prof. C. H. Brown, of St. Louis; G. V. C., T. P. Maynard, of Kansas City; G. G. C., R. C. Carter, St. Louis; G. P., G. W. Mitchell, Desoto; G. M. of Ex., M. H. Rolen, St. Louis; G. K. of R. and S., Prof. H. A. Wheeler, Poplar Bluff; Secretary and Treasurer of Endowment Bureau, C. K. Robinson, St. Louis; G. M. at A., Joe Holmes, Huntsville; G. I. G., Gen. Rice, St. Louis; G. O. G., R. P. Smith; Supreme Rep., B. K. Caruthers, St. Louis.

Seat of the next session will be at Huntsville. The Grand Lodge was banqueted by the local Lodge and the L. O. O. C., and a most delightful evening was spent. Miss Ida Finley died on the 28th ult. The funeral services were attended on the 29th ult. at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Elder J. Mansker officiating.

A Financial War.

Fayetteville, Tenn., Special.

Last week was the week of court at the A. M. E. church. Several persons were excluded from membership. Mrs. Buchanan, mother of Bert Buchanan, died last Sunday at 3 o'clock. Burial took place Monday at 3 p. m. Her sister died in the country the day previous. There will be a Financial War at the A. M. E. church the last of the month, the Woman's Brigade vs. the Men's Legion. A lady will command the men, and a gentleman will command the women. There was a rally at the Baptist church last Sunday. Rev. G. Martin, of Mt. Zion church, is attending District conference at Murfreesboro this week. Mrs. Lottie Cobbs has returned from a pleasant visit to her sister at Woodbury. Rev. W. M. Porter is preparing for a grand rally at Mary's Chapel. He is very popular with his poeple. The following young ladies are lovers and patrons of The Freeman: Misses Mary McDonald, Susie McCullum, Ella Buchanan and Cora Buchanan. Get The Freeman from Willie Jones.

Reception and Ball.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Ed. Means has returned. Henry L McDaniel, one of the oldest colored letter carriers, died Tuesday morning at his home on Zwicks avenue. His remains were shipped to Hernando, Miss., his former home, for interment. The reception and ball by the season's fair debutante was given last Thursday, the 29th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, on Beale street. Possibly never before in the history of this old city has there been such a notable gathering as was assembled at the residence. The decorations of the halls and parlors, which were most elaborate, were but a minor consideration compared with the youth and beauty there assembled. The reception room was canopied with ropes of beautiful flowers. The corners were filled with palms, the mantel was banked with tha same plants, and they were also pendant from the chandeliers. Adjoining this room was the ball-room, where the orchestra was seated in a bower of flowers. An elaborate supper was served in the large dining-room on tables draped in white. The debutante was Miss Essa M. Gaston. She wore white taffeta trimmed with lace and ribbons. The affair was thoroughly enjoyed by every one.

A Noted Citizen's Death.

Houston, Tex., Special.

S. B. Sinerville, one of Houston's noted citizens, died on the 3d inst. The church has lost an able worker, Houston a loyal citizen, his wife a devoted husband, and his children have lost a kind and loving father, and the race a true advocate. The programs of the grand literary and social entertainment at the U. B. of F. hall September 10 are out. It is for the purpose of facilitating the scholarship of E. C. branch in Bishop College, where he will attend in October. The program is well gotten up. Rev. F. Parker, D. D, will deliver the address, Dr. Parker alone can draw a crowd, from the fact that he is a deep thinker and able writer. Prof. P. S. Wilkinson, Jr., of Brazoria, Tex., read a paper, the subject being "The Right Views of Education." Hon. C. N. Love and others who cannot be surpassed are also on the program.

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Southland, Ark., Special.

This city is situated nine miles northwest of Helena. The climate is very healthful and surrounding country very fertile. This is a desirable place and the people are very intelligent. Many Negroes own their own homes and others are purchasing. There is a college here under the auspices of the Friends, which was founded in 1865. Much good has been done by this institution in bringing our people out of darkness. Many bright young men and women have gone out into this and other states to instruct the boys and girls. There are better crops in this section than have been seen for several years. Mrs. Ruth S. Russell has been appointed postmaster of Southland. Prof. William Russell has bought out the firm of W. B. O'Shields & Co. Prof. Russel is an ex-president of Southland college. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith died on the 31st ult. Mrs. Smith had been suffering for a long time. Miss Rebecca J. Busby is now visiting her uncle and other friends who live near Lulu, Miss. Prof. L. C. Jones is teaching at Cypress, six miles west of LaGrange, Ark. The vocal class, under Prof. Greer, is making rapid progress.

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There is no one in Omaha or vicinity who has not heard of Mr. N. J. Smith, founder of Rescue Home. He has for a number of years, devoted a large share of his time to the work of rescuing the fallen, furnishing aid to those in distress and helping in every way possible those in trouble. He has been in poor health for several years, but all will be pleased to learn that his health is now much better and he is able to take active charge of the mission work, to which he now devotes his entire time.

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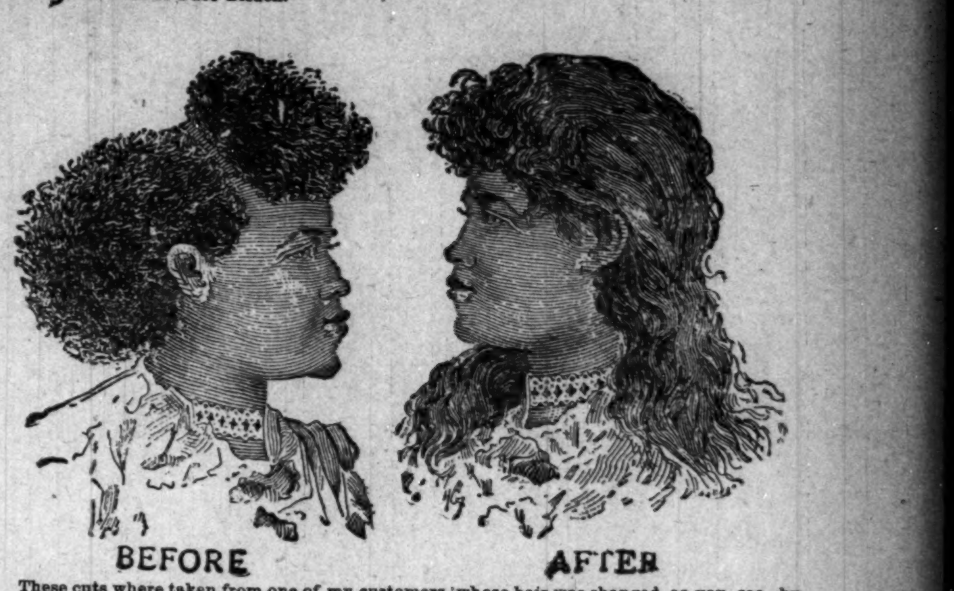

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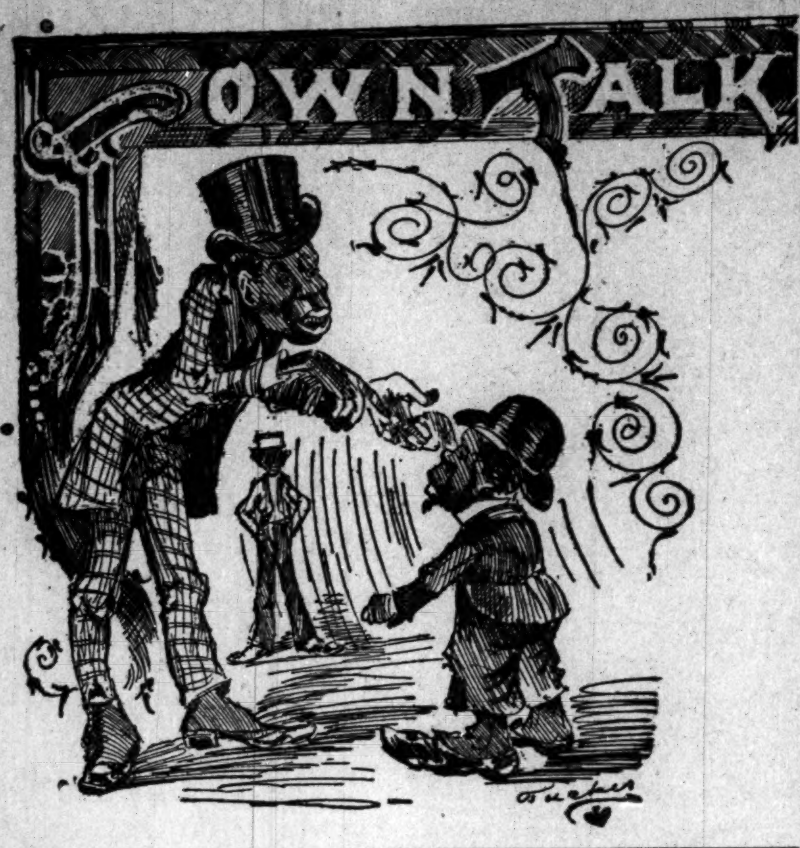

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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Dr. B. J. Morgan is home again after a pleasant trip to Niagara Falls.

Wm. Beeler, of Danville, Ill., spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Mrs. Harry Cooper has returned from a visit to her mother in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson have returned to the city for permanent residence.

Mrs. Belle Kelly, of Muncie, is the guest of Mrs. Susie Miller, 1310 North West street.

Mrs. John Wayne and daughter Marietta left Wednesday to visit friends in Terre Haute.

Mrs. Maggie Moss, of Brazil, is visiting Miss Emma Barnett, of 401 West Walnut street.

Miss Ernestine Lewis, of Cincinnati, is the guest of Mrs. A. L. Banks, 445 N. California street.

Mrs. W. R. McClure, of Fort Worth, Tex., is visiting her brother, Mr. G. M. Reese, 422 N. Noble street.

Miss Georgia Stevenson leaves to-day for Cleveland, O., where she will be the guest of Miss Edna Anderson.

Mr. Edw. Sanders, son of H. L. Sanders, is making a business trip through Ohio and meeting with great success.

B. W. Maxwell, Esq., prominent in democratic politics in Hamilton, O., was in the city Tuesday, on business.

Rev. Sissle, Presiding Elder Gilliam, and Miss Allye Beard, delegates to the District Conference, returned Monday afternoon.

Mrs. A. L. Banks will give a wheel party Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Ernestine Lewis, of Cincinnati.

Invitations are out announcing the wedding of Wm. T. Floyd and Mrs. Aletha Jackson, Tuesday evening. August 17th.

Mrs. Taylor and children, of Henderson, Ky., are in the city visiting her sister Mrs. Gertrude Payne, in Martindale avenue.

Richard B. Montgomery, representing The Freeman in Wisconsin, accompanied by Rev. J. B. Odam, spent several days in the city on business, leaving Tuesday for Chicago. Mr. Montgomery is placing The Freeman among the leading families of his state both white and colored, and, together with his employment office, he is doing much good to benefit the race.

Mrs. Cora Taylor, of California, is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. L. Sanders. Mrs. Taylor will make her home in this city.

Mr. Albert Harvey is in the city visiting relatives and friends after an absence of several years in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Yellowstone Park.

Chas. Chavis, Ph. G., colored druggist with D. M. Moroney, Haughville, attended the sixteenth annual conclave of Knights Templar at Louisville, Ky., this week.

Mrs. Julia Turner, wife of James Turner, formerly of this city, has been visiting friends and relatives in Chicago, and returned to her home last Saturday in Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Grant Coley entertained a few friends Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Florence Baker, of Franklin, Ind. Cards, music and light refreshments were the features of the evening.

Mrs. Richmond A. Jones and Miss Fannie Rice, of Louisville, Ky., are visiting Mrs. Wm. Jackson, 1208 E. 16th street. Mrs. Jones is the daughter of Rev. J. M. Washington, and is a teacher in one of the public schools of Louisville.

Mrs. Mollie Davis, of North Indianapolis, and Oliver McCown, of this city, were married at the residence of Rev. Geo. A. Sissle, Sunday at 6 a. m. Mr. and Mrs. McCown spent the balance of the day in Anderson. They will be at home to their friends in North Indianapolis.

The ladies of the Golden Rule Social Club, together with their husbands and invited guests, had their annual picnic last Friday afternoon at Fairview Park. A general good time was enjoyed by all present, especially at the luncheon hour. Next Friday the club meets at Mrs. Smith's, on Howard street.

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SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. J. W. Carr has returned from Chattanooga, Tenn., where he attended the Tennessee State Convention, and Rome, Ga., also Talladega, Ala. He conducted a two weeks meeting in Talladega, which resulted in seventy confessions.

A special sermon will be delivered to the church at 11 a. m. to-morrow, after which baptizing will take place.

The pastor will preach at 8 p. m. subject: "The Scarlet Line." The public is cordially invited.

SIMPSON CHAPEL NOTES.

Revs. H. H. Dupee and A. Woolfolk, filled the pulpit at Simpson Chapel Sunday morning and night.

Luella Jackson, Grace Gurnell, Maud Brewer, Lottie Brewer, and Golden Jones were competitors for a silver medal at the Chapel, Thursday evening.

The conference of the Lexington Annual conference convened at Connersville, August 4-8. The session was in every respect a pleasant and a profitable one. Dr. E. W. S. Hammond and Dr. M. C. B. Mason, one of the secretaries of the Freedmen's Aid Society, were present. Both delivered able addresses. The conference was tendered a reception on Friday evening. Dr. L. M. Hagood, of Covington, Ky., and Presiding Elder Gilliam made very eloquent speeches. Music was furnished by the Blue Ribbon orchestra.

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The truth of the whole matter is, they are their own prisoners. They commit dark deeds of sin under cover, then live in utter dismay and terror for fear of exposure or detection. Verily, thy sins will find thee out, sayeth the prophets.

Ministers have lately been having a tough struggle with the seductive bicycle, in order to keep their dearly beloved flocks safe in the religious sheep-pen, but up to the present writing the bike seems to have gotten the church in chancery, and is landing a collection of straight-arm punches on its solar plexus, says Up-to-Date. We don't blame the church for getting mad at this latest collection-plate depleter.

It is getting so now that most of the congregation know more about sprockets and gears than they do about preorkination and original sin. Instead of laying up glorious treasure in the dazzling hereafter where it won't get punctured, they rise with the Sabbath sun, wipe the weekday oil and dirt from their wheels, don their cute little cycling suits, and glide joyously away in the golden summer sunshine, when they ought to be holding down a pew in the gloomy and sultry interior of a house of worship, while the minister tickles their delighted ears with a two-hour, double-leaded discourse that is so full of verbosity and condensed atmosphere, that the walls bulge out under the pressure.

This state of affairs is not right, and should be repressed before a terrible judgement is visited upon these unholy despoilers. It would not surprise us a bit if some Sunday these wicked bicyclists were yanked right into eternal damnation just as they are, with plaid bloomers and noisy golf socks covering their nether limbs, and a vertical streak of dried mud running up their humped and besweated backs.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Mrs. Worthington, of Hillside avenue, is very sick.

Camp-meeting begins at the Normal Cycle Training Park, September 11, continuing ten days.

Miss Susie Wilson and Litte Gertrude Smith are much better.

Mrs. Bush Thomas left last Saturday evening for Springfield, Ill.

Rev. J. H. Young will preach at the morning service to-morrow.

Thomas Johnson had quite a serious accident last week. While riding a wheel he fell and sprained his arm.

Mrs. Lillie Warfield left last Monday for Greencastle, to visit Mrs. Sarah Miles.

Rev. M. V. Saunders, of Knightstown, a pulpit orator, will preach to-morrow evening.

Rally for Dollar Money—Sunday August 22. Please do your best to have your dollar ready.

The funeral of Mrs. Lucinda Spaulding, 130 Anderson street, occurred last Friday afternoon, the pastor officiating.

Rev. Murray left Thursday afternoon for Philadelphia and Atlantic City. During his vacation he will be the guest of Revs. T. W. Henderson and H. T. Johnson, of the A. M. E. Publishing House.

Proprietors and staffs of newspapers are most cordially invited to our church Sunday August 29, at 8 p. m., to listen to a short sermon and a spicy program, arranged especially for them. The public is invited to come.

The auxilliary met last Friday at Mrs. P. W. Streats, and elected officers Cornelia Jones, president; Sarah Warfield, vice; Gertrude Payne, secretary; Lizzie Streats, assistant secretary; and Hannah White, treasurer.

Names that were omitted in the last issue and mistakes corrected: Mrs. Cornelia Jones, $4 00; Mrs. Josie Mays, $1.00; Samuel White, $6.00 instead of $5 00; Laura Taylor, $1.00; Maggie Young, $1.25; Smith Hogan, $1.00; Jonathan Carry, Window fund, $1.00;

The church last Sunday was crowded to the doors, to listen to the sermon by the pastor to the widows of the city. He handled his subject in a masterly way. Hundreds rejoiced at the truth as it illumed up before them. Their night was a great success. Committee: Mrs. J. L. Myers, chairman; Mary E. Felton, Sallie Dudley, Hattie Stafford, Annie Miller, Mollie Miller, and Lue Hartley.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. The school is increasing.

Prof. Easley, with his violin, leads the music in the Sunday School.

The Rev. William O. White preached two excellent sermons last Sunday, it being rally day, the collection was $46, for which the church thanks their friends and members for their liberality, the public is cordially invited to hear him to-morrow at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m.

There will be a grand lawn social at Mrs. Lindsay's, on Senate avenue, near 23rd street, Thursday evening, August 19, for the benefit of the church. The public is cordially invited to have a pleasant time.

Death of Bishop Embry.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.

James Crawford Embry, Bishop of the A. M. E. church in South Carolina, died Wednesday, August 11, at his home in this city.

He had been in poor health for some time past, and during a recent visit to his district in the South he contracted a severe attack of malaria. He returned to his home in this city, but grew rapidly worse until his death.

POLITICAL ARENA.

Declinations are in the air.

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Mr. Willis Kersey declines to stand for city clerk.

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Joseph Broyles and others took care of the Louisville Delegation last week at the Herculean club house. It was a success.

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Drs. Furniss held their first inquest last week. Dr. Brayton, we believe, is the first coroner to deputize colored men for such work.

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It is held that Dr. Elbert's declination is a surprise to many Washingtonians, who would have jumped at the chance to have represented our government abroad.

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Gurley Brewer has been to Canton, Mo., to deliver an Emancipation Proclamation speech, and to speak incidently of McKinley and prosperity.

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Rumor has it that Mr. Broyles will be an officer in the coming convention. Some say it is Chas. Stapp, and others say Jackson and Simms. Well, we won't have long to wait.

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Dr. Sumner Furniss is one of the most progressive doctors in the West. His surroundings wear an air of prosperity. His rubber tired calling vehicle is up to modern ideas. In short, as to progress, he is never asleep.

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It is understood that Mr. G. L. Jones is after Dr. Elbert's shoes. He, perhaps, had better let them alone, for they might prove a tight fit. Bahia is noted for its excellent mahogany and other woods suitable for caskets.

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Isidore Blair, the constitutional lawyer, is gaining some local political celebrity. He has risen rapidly to precinct committeeman in the Fourth ward, where his constituents are largely white. The nationality of Mr. Blair is unmistakable.

$1—Fishermans' Cheap Excursion—$1.

To Cedar Lake, Sunday, August, 29th. via Monon Route. Special train leaves Union Station at 6 a. m. arriving Cedar Lake 10:30 a. m. eave returning 6:30 p. m. The Monon Route has made extensive improvements at this point A new pier, new boats, new boat houses, dancing pavillion and refreshment stands. Ample accommodations for everybody and no one should miss this opportunity of spending a pleasant Sunday at this beautiful Lake. For full particulars call at Massachusetts Avenue depot, Union Station, or 2 W. Washington St. corner Meridian. Geo. W. Hayler, D, P. A.

Circus Excursion.

The C. H. & D. Ry., agents will sell tickets at one fare for the round trip on account of Robinson's and Franklin Bros., circus exhibition Saturday, August 14th. Tickets will be sold from Lima, Deshler and intermediate stations to Ottawa, Ohio. To Wapakoneta, O. August 16th., tickets will be sold from Kirkwood, Lima and intermediate stations. To Sidney, O. August 17th. Tickets will be sold from Tippecanoe, Botkins and intermediate stations. To Middletown, August 18th. Tickets will be sold from Hamilton, Dayton and intermediate stations. To Wyoming, O. August 19th. Tickets will be sold from Winton Place Hamilton and intermediate stations. Tickets will be good to return one day from date of sale.

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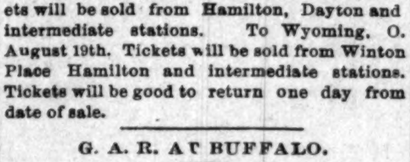

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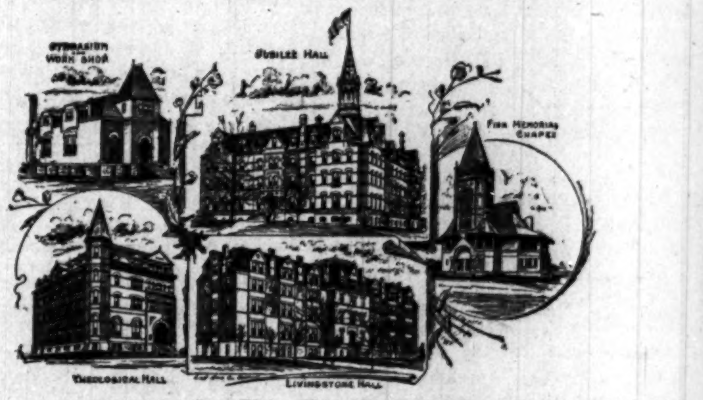

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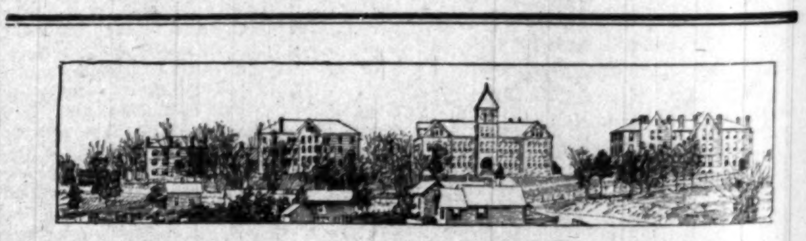

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